

TRAMWAYS LOCK-OUT ENDED

DEADLOCK BROKEN BY WORKERS' DECISION

Will work first, discuss wages claim later

SERVICE RESUMING

THE TRAMS WILL BE RUNNING AGAIN BEFORE THE WEEK IS OUT. THE MEN HAVE DECIDED TO RETURN TO WORK FIRST AND LEAVE THE MATTER OF PAY FOR THE PERIOD OF WORK STOPPAGE TO BE DISCUSSED LATER.

Britain to build first atomic engine for ship

London, February 8. Britain will begin to build the world's first atomic engine for a ship in the near future if the Government approves a plan to be put before them in the next two months, the "Daily Mirror" stated today.

The engine "will be a miniature atomic pile, small enough to fit into the engine room of a warship," the newspaper stated.—Reuter.

KMT property in Singapore

Singapore, February 8. The Nationalist Government's property at the Chinese Consulate-General in Singapore has been handed over to the Singapore branch of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The Singapore Government has been notified of the action.

An official of the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce said yesterday that the Chamber had received a letter from Dr. Wu Puak-shing, former Consul-General, informing the Chamber that the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank had been approached and had taken over movable property at the Consulate and that receipts had been obtained.

Dr. Wu, it is learned, has moved out of the Consulate premises.

Remittances

More than 800 petty remittance firms in the Malayan Federation and 107 in Singapore are now able to resume their normal business with China.

Mr. Lim Soong-guan, President of the Nanyang Chinese Exchange and Remittance Association, said yesterday that the Controller of Posts at Kuala Lumpur had officially notified his Association that a resumption of the remittance facilities was made effective from last Monday following a suspension of nearly five months.

Remittances to all parts of China can be accepted through ordinary service only at the sender's risk.—Reuter.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) there is a large anticyclone 520 miles from which a strong ridge of high pressure extends across the Lochnoo to Black. A rapidly deepening depression off the West coast of Ireland is moving SE. This depression is expected to intensify a strong surge of the NE monsoon that in the absence of information from China has the chance of being a typhoon.

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This decision was reached by the workers at a meeting last night, when they were told by their representatives, who had called on the management earlier in the day, that the Company stood firm on its refusal to pay the men for the period of the suspension.

The workers will assemble at the premises of the Federation of Labour Unions in Lockhart Road this morning to await word from Mr. C. S. Johnston, General Manager of the Tramway Company, as to when they may report for duty.

Their representatives told the men that as many as possible of the men should report back for work today, after they have reported the matter to the General Manager.

The meeting last night was free from the dissension that marked the discussions on the previous night. After the representatives had reported the result of their talk with Mr. Johnston, other speakers came forward and urged a return to work first.

About 20 of the men, apparently disgusted with the change of mind of the majority of their fellow workers, walked out before the vote was taken.

Legal issue

The management told the men's representatives that it was unable to change its stand about pay for the period of the suspension, and if the men were dissatisfied they could make a legal issue of it.

There was no discussion last night as to what steps they would take on this point.

The workers have decided to shelve their claim for a special \$3-a-day allowance for the time being, pending the outcome of the Dairy Farm arbitration.

The Tramway Company had informed them that at this stage they would not agree to any settlement other than by arbitration.

Though the men will be reporting back for duty today, it is not expected that the tramway will be ready to run until Saturday at the earliest, as there will have to be a general check up and overhaul which may take a day or two.

43-day lock-out

The men's return to work will end a 43-day lock-out which began on December 28, when the Company stopped the service after the conductors had refused to accept fares from passengers for four days.

After a warning from the management that the workers would be held responsible for their breach of duty, the Company, on December 28, summarily dismissed the conductors and gave the drivers and gate attendants seven days' notice.

The men refused to accept this notice of dismissal, and left their pay undrawn. They also refused to turn in their uniforms.

The dispute was deadlocked as the Tramway Company refused the men's request for re-opening of negotiations and agreed instead to settle by arbitration only which the men would not accept.

The stalemate continued until last week when through the intervention of Mr. Ke Cheuk-hing, Chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, both sides were brought together again.

The most ugly incident in the dispute was the attack on the workers and police on January 30 in Kowloon Street, at which more than 40 people were injured, when the police took away the loud-

speaker system that the workers were using.

Four men, one of them the chairman, and one the secretary, of the Tram Workers Union, have been deported for their part in the disturbance, and two others are still in police custody.

The police are still in occupation of the headquarters of the Tram Workers Union in Russell Street which has been cordoned off and guarded by police units since January 30.

Dairy Farm Arbitration starts today

The Arbitration Tribunal to adjudicate in the Dairy Farm dispute will hold its sitting at 2.30 p.m. today in Council Chambers, Colonial Secretariat.

Professor of Economics and Political Science at the Hong Kong University, is the sole arbitrator.

He is being assisted by three assessors from each side. They are Messrs. L. H. Cleland, J. R. Jones, D. Black, nominated by the employers; and Messrs. Tong Wai, Lau Hui-kwan and Chin Man-hon, nominated by the workers.

The Tribunal will decide the merits or otherwise of the workers' demand for a special allowance of HK\$3 a day.

Malaya's "overwhelming response"

Singapore, February 8. Sir Henry Gurney, High Commissioner for the Malayan Federation, told the Federal Legislative Council today that more than 100 people had volunteered in one week to take part in the "Malayan People's Anti-Bandit Month."

"This overwhelming response strikes at the heart of the Communist plan in Malaya," he declared.

"There is now a sense of unity and determination in the country such as we have not had before," Sir Henry said. "Nobody understands this better than the bandits themselves who were at present engaged in a repeatedly increased tempo of futile and destructive attacks on civilians."

These were having no effect, he said, on the hearts of the Malayan people. "The Communist plan in Malaya was the country's 'most pressing problem.' There can be no question, but that upon its solution depends the end of the state of emergency in the Federation," he said.

London, February 8. The attack on the Malayan Federation, which was the subject of a telegram from the Federation to the United States, was described as "a serious blow" to the Communist plan in Malaya.

Musical welcome



Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Supreme Military Commander, Western Union (centre) is welcomed by two youthful Swiss musicians on his arrival at Muerren. At the railway station, which was garlanded with flowers and flags, he was welcomed by the local population and musicians. He is holidaying in the Bern Highlands after travelling by train from Fontainebleau. — "A.P. photo".

Australia ends petrol rationing

Canberra, February 8. The Prime Minister, Mr. Robert G. Menzies, in a nation-wide broadcast today announced the end of petrol rationing in Australia from midnight tonight.

Mr. Menzies said: "We have satisfied ourselves that in Australia petrol rationing can safely be removed without any fears of inadequate supplies or of evil consequences in terms of dollars."

"We have had a full exchange of views with Britain. There have been no threats of high-handed action: There has been great frankness but full courtesy on a high level of mutual understanding."

Churchill hits Labour spending

Cardiff, February 8. Mr. Winston Churchill in a Conservative election campaign speech here today accused the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, and his Labour predecessor, Mr. Hugh Dalton, of having "each squandered the public treasure at a pace unknown before."

Mr. Churchill said: "Our taxation today is heavier than it was even in the most intense climax of the war."

Sir Churchill quoted Mr. Herbert Morrison, Labour Deputy Premier, as saying: "We are leading the world."

"So far as social services are concerned we have always led it," Mr. Churchill said. "But for leading the world in any other sense what nation is following the British Socialist Party? There is no Socialist Government in Europe outside the Iron Curtain other than Scandinavia."

"It seems to me a very perilous path we are asked to tread," Mr. Churchill said. He condemned the Liberal Party plan of a separate Welsh Parliament, saying: "Wales is England."—Reuter.

MOVE TO IMPEACH LI TSUNG-JEN

Taipei, February 8. Members of the Control Yuan are considering the impeachment of Acting President Li Tsung-jen, who has still not answered their recent telegram which, in effect, urged him to return to Taiwan or resign his post.

The members, however, were unable to work out a legal method of impeaching the Acting President.

Acting President Li is at present in the United States.—Reuter.

Heavy casualties in Shanghai raid; 200 killed, 400 injured

London, February 8. More than 200 persons were killed and 400 were injured on February 6 when Nationalist war planes raided Shanghai's power stations, the Soviet news agency, Tass, reported today.

The agency said more than 1,000 buildings, including one power station, were damaged and the teeming port city's electricity supply was disrupted.

Meanwhile, the Chinese Nationalist air force on Hainan reported extensive raids yesterday on Yungkiang, Tienpak and Pakhoi coastal districts in East and West Luichow, adds United Press in a report from Taipei.

At the same time a navy communiqué confirmed the capture of one motor junk during a submarine landing "rehearsal" on Sunday night. Four Communists aboard the junk were captured and one corporal killed.

The air force communiqué also reported several attacks on Communist irregulars on Hainan, hinting of increased guerrilla activity.

Bombing threat

The Nationalists have threatened to bomb the Communist capital of Peking and nine other mainland cities and warned the inhabitants to move to a safe distance from military objectives, says an Associated Press despatch from Taipei.

The threat was made in broadcasts from Nationalist stations and leaflets dropped from the air yesterday in the Shanghai-Nanking area.

The Air Force announced that Shanghai was attacked yesterday for the second day in succession.

It claimed that B-24s, escorted by P-51s, destroyed more than 10 small ships over there.

Communist holdings in the Chusan Islands, 100 miles South of Shanghai, were also bombed.

In addition to Peking, the Nationalists listed for future air attacks: Tientsin, Nanking, Shanghai, Hankow, Tientsin, Hangchow, Foochow, Amoy, and Canton. The inhabitants were advised to move away from power plants, shipyards, wharves, railway stations, warehouses, factories, barracks and other military objectives.

Australia recognises Bao Dai

Canberra, February 8. The Australian Government today recognised the governments of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia.

The Australian External Affairs Minister, Mr. P. C. Spender, announcing the recognition said: "While there are still some limitations to the powers of the three governments, particularly in external relations, the Australian Government is satisfied, after a careful examination of the most reliable evidence available, that they do in fact fulfil the legitimate Nationalist aspirations within their territories and agreement with the French Government."

"Though the Communist leader, Ho Chi-minh is continuing his guerrilla campaign against the French and local authorities, the recent Russian recognition of his government would remove all doubts as to the sincerity of his Nationalist professions and should lead him to the support of sincere Nationalists," Mr. Spender said.

Prompt recognition of the three new states by Australia and other powers should encourage the moderate Nationalist leaders in Indo-China who do not wish their country to become a satellite of Moscow or Peking, the Minister concluded.

Belgium today recognised the French supported Vietnam Government of former Emperor Bao Dai, adds United Press in a report from Hanoi.

The official announcement said a diplomatic representative would be sent to Vietnam soon.—Reuter and United Press.

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Attlee's speech to housewives

Watford, Hertfordshire, February 8. The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, told an audience of 1,200 housewives here today that the Labour Government was not ashamed of taking aid from the United States.

"We have given assistance to other nations at our own difficulty and we are not ashamed of that either," he added.

The world might have gone to smash if the United States and Britain, with the Commonwealth, had not stood together and decided to help others.

Mr. Attlee was making the first speech of a 10-day election tour by car.

He said it made him tired to hear people talking in Britain of a downhearted, frustrated people not allowed to put out their effort.

"There has never been such an effort in peacetime as that put out by the people of this country," he said.—Reuter.

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Panamanian ship detained by Nationalists

Taipei, February 8. A 500-ton steamer, the Swallow, flying the Panamanian flag, is at present being detained by the Nationalist authorities at Takao on the South West coast of Taiwan.

The vessel was intercepted by a Nationalist warship about a fortnight ago while attempting to enter Amoy.

The Swallow is owned by the Colon Shipping Company. Her master is a Briton, Captain Gordon.—Reuter.

Moscow talks seen coming to a head

Moscow, February 8. Soviet negotiations with the leaders of the Chinese Communists apparently are coming to a head, and many foreign diplomats here expressed belief that an announcement is near which will show a great measure of agreement.

While Soviet and Chinese experts worked out details of the talks, which have kept Chinese Communist leader Mao Tse-tung in Moscow since December 10, Mao and his French Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai, have been acquainting themselves with Soviet airplane and automobile production.

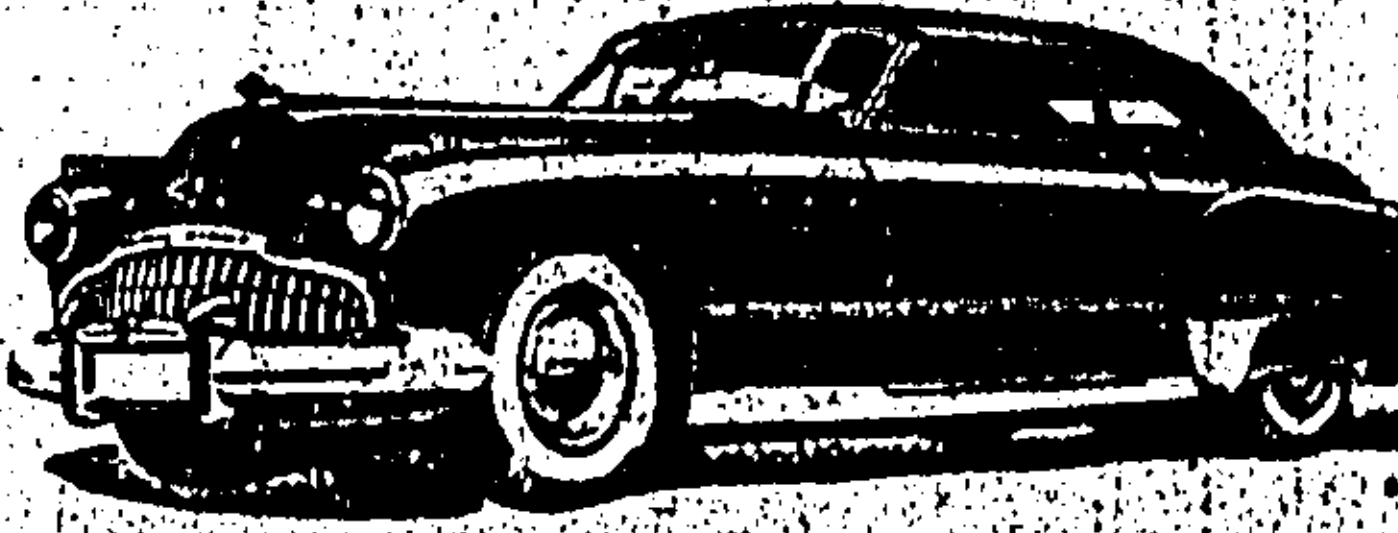
Peking radio reported today that the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, gave a luncheon for his Chinese Communist colleagues, Mr. Chou En-lai, but Mr. Chou's chief, Mr. Mao Tse-tung was not present, adds United Press.

It was recalled here that Generalissimo Josef Stalin received Mr. Chou on January 22, one day after the latter's arrival in Moscow and Mr. Mao likewise was not present.

Peking radio, quoting Tass agency, said the Sinking and Manchurian representatives attended the dinner on February 6 as well as the Soviet Foreign Trade and Foreign Affairs officials.

The despatch also disclosed that Russia was sending a trade representative to Peking—Mr. Mignunov, who attended the dinner.—Associated Press and United Press.

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Marine Court of Inquiry

Radio officer was on the bridge when Edith Moller collided with fishing junk

Young ladies defy armed robber

At least one indignant armed robber will disprove the idea that woman is the weaker sex. He found it wasn't so in Kowloon Tong on Tuesday night.

Betty Baptista and Lilia Gann, two young Portuguese ladies, returned from a late Church meeting and were chatting on the doorstep of 2, Rutland Quadrant, Kowloon Tong, the residence of Miss Gann, when they were rudely interrupted.

A man, dressed in a European suit, addressing Miss Baptista, demanded that she give him her hand-bag. "I certainly will not," replied Miss Baptista, and struggled with the man.

Miss Gann saw that the man had a gun and pleaded with Miss Baptista to let go.

Suddenly the man pushed both ladies into the doorway and made off, without the hand-bag, and apparently too frightened to argue any further. The girls went after him but the robber got away.

A constable was later met by the two girls and the police threw a cordon round the district, without success.

Investigation of Chase Bank robbery

Police authorities are continuing their investigations into the recent Chase Bank robbery, when over \$400,000 was removed from the Bank in broad daylight.

A "China Mail" check-up yesterday showed that the authorities are gradually narrowing the field of their investigation, and are confident of ultimate success in tracking down the robbers.

Chinese sources think that the six men responsible for the most daring robbery in the Colony's history are no longer in Hong Kong, but the authorities would not comment on this.

It was reliably learned that only one person has approached the police with information in the hope of collecting the large reward posted by the Chase Bank and the Commissioner of Police.

The information supplied turned out to be incorrect, it was learned.

Mr. E. C. Lucascombe, the Director of Criminal Investigation, was not available for comment yesterday, but his subordinates said that he is pursuing his own line of investigation, and is devoting much time to the case.

FOOD AND FUEL COSTS

The food and fuel index for the week ended February 4 issued by the Labour Office were—

Rice and Flour, 7.2 cwt.	18,400
Vegetables, 1.0 cwt.	3,200
Bulk Cabbage, 0.2 cwt.	350
Oil, 0.7 cwt.	1,400
Tea, 0.2 cwt.	1,000
Salt Fish, 0.5 cwt.	1,200
Yam, 0.4 cwt.	1,200
Pork, 0.3 cwt.	1,200
Stimwood, 10 cwt.	1,100
Bean Curd, 16 pieces	700
Total	31,150

FRESH FISH PRICES

Fresh fish average prices realized at the Hong Kong Fish Wholesale Market, Kennedy Town, yesterday were—

First quality	Average price	Second quality	Average price
Red Snapper	2.20	1.80	1.40
Yellow Snapper	1.80	1.40	1.00
White Snapper	1.40	1.00	0.60
Black Snapper	1.00	0.60	0.20
Golden Thread	1.40	1.00	0.60
Flower Head	1.20	0.80	0.40
Conch Fish	1.20	0.80	0.40
Red Sea Bream (large)	1.20	0.80	0.40
Half Tull	1.40	1.00	0.60

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Lace-top Jersey and rayon-silk nightgowns. In lovely pastel shades now available in various sizes.

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Reminders

Today

Kowloon Rotary Club, Ladies Day, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Y's Men's Club, Luncheon at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

HK Women's International Club, Dance for Servicemen, 7.30 p.m.

British Council documentary weekly film show, Helene May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Nine Dragons Services Club, Bridge Drive, 8 p.m.

RAF Dramatic Society presents "Queen's Eye-View" Astra Cinema at RAF Station Theatre, Kai Tak, 8.15 p.m.

Rosary Church Concert in Church hall, 8 p.m. (admission free)

HK Singers rehearsal, St. John's Church, 8.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Club, Services Personnel Welcome, 7.30 p.m.

Coming Events

Evening Institute Teachers Class, presentation of Certificates to graduates, at Northcote Training College, Bonham Road, 5.30 p.m.

Nine Dragons Services Club, Tomorrow

European YMCA Women's Section, Beginner's Dressmaking, 10 a.m.

Diocean Old Girls Association, annual supper dance, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

HK Church Group-Rosary Church Choir Concert at Club Lusitano, 5.30 p.m. (admission free)

SATURDAY

Kowloon Gramophone Society classical concert, at Diocean Boys' School, 8.15 p.m.

Prisoner fails in attempt to escape

Falling in his attempt to escape from police custody after drawing fire from his escort at 5 a.m. yesterday, a 21-year-old prisoner, Li Ah-sun, received a two-month sentence from Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Kowloon yesterday.

While being conveyed from Tai-po to the Kowloon Magistracy, Li made a desperate attempt to escape and before his re-arrest he was shot at three times by one of the police guards.

Detective Sub-Inspector E. R. Grace said that defendant, who was committed for trial at the Tai-po Court on Monday on three charges of robbery, possession of arms and ammunition and resisting the police, was being conveyed from the New Territories and when near the Lai-chukok Prison where the van stopped to collect more prisoners, he slipped off his handcuffs and made a dash for freedom.

The prisoner stopped when he heard three shots being fired at him and surrendered.

Court brevities

A dispute over wages in lieu of notice was heard before the Justices of the Peace Court at Central yesterday when Lo Yiu-chung, of 163 Johnston Road, ground floor, was summoned for terminating the services of Cheung Siu-yung, a photographer without notice on January 1.

Lo was not paid a month's salary in lieu of notice.

Complainant said that defendant dismissed him on December 28 and only paid him salary up to December 31. His salary was \$150 a month and he had asked for a month's notice but was refused.

Defendant said that complainant's work had been unsatisfactory and he often left his work unfinished during working hours. Defendant was ordered to pay complainant \$150 in lieu of notice within three days.

A Danish seaman was fined a total of \$60 by Mr. A. D. Scholes yesterday on two charges of breach of Immigration Department regulations.

Defendant, Carl Dunsford Sorensen, a marine engineer, pleaded guilty to both charges.

Sorensen was said to have signed on from his ship here but failed to leave the Colony within the time stipulated by the Immigration Department.

On a second charge, he failed to notify the Immigration Department of his change of address. Defendant had subsequently signed on at another ship, the prosecution said.

Seven men were charged before Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday with being in possession of forged banknotes.

The prosecution alleged that the seven men were in possession of forged banknotes of \$100, \$50, \$20, \$10, \$5, \$2, and \$1.

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Trio charged with swindling widow of her fortune

The trial of three men, who shared seven charges of larceny by trick of \$4,993.50, U.S.\$649 and \$1,622 worth of jewellery from a 53-year-old widow, and one charge of conspiracy to defraud, began before Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

The men are Tsoi Man, alias Ho Chun-tin, aged 34, Ip Ping, alias Ip Ching-ping, aged 30, and Lau Tak, alias Wong Wah, aged 42. All are represented by Mr. V. S. Gittens, instructed by Mr. J. G. Stewart.

Complainant Ho Hon-bun, the widow, who is a devout believer in Buddhism, told a story of how on divers dates between December 10 and December 19 she was swindled of her fortune.

On December 10, complainant said, she first met the first defendant who came to her house at 274 Castle Peak Road, second floor, telling her that he was a model and tricked her into giving him \$20 to buy two copies of the Kam Kung King, the Taoist prayer book, for worshipping purposes.

She continued to relate that following this first meeting, she gave first and second defendants sums of \$216, \$340 and \$330 on December 11, 12 and 13, respectively, all for worshipping. On December 14, 15, 16, she gave all defendants, respectively, \$1,350, \$87.50, \$2,400, \$15,840 and jewellery valued at \$1,622.

The butterfly

On the occasion when she paid defendants \$440, she was told that while they were worshipping for her a butterfly appeared and fluttered above the burning lamps.

They told her that in her previous life she was a man and that the butterfly was her reincarnation. The defendants, who on this same occasion, told her to let them worship for her for seven nights at \$110 a night, were paid the rest of \$330 the next day.

On the last occasion at the Lucky Hotel when she brought to defendant U.S.\$149, HK\$2,400, one wrist watch, four diamond rings, one ruby ring, one gold necklace, two gold rings, two gold bangles and a pair of earrings, she was told to wrap them up in a parcel. A parcel in similar wrapping was then given to her. She was then instructed to throw it into the sea at the Jordan Wharf.

When she returned to the hotel from her mission of throwing her supposed treasure into the sea, which would carry it to Lo Fou Shan, she was handed a letter purported to come from defendant's spiritual teacher telling her that what she had thrown to the sea was just a deposit and that she would soon get it back.

Treasure ship

On another occasion, complainant was told through astrologer and flames of burning joss sticks and paper that in her previous life she had a ship full of treasures but was

Passengers on Gov't lorry

As the result of plying Government lorry No. 8230 for hire at 11 a.m. along King's Road on Tuesday, Wong Tak-pu, aged 41, was fined \$150 by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday.

Mr. G. Arliss, supervisor of Land Transport, said that he was testing Government lorry in King's Road near Health Village in the Bay View District when he saw defendant stop his lorry and pick up two passengers.

On approaching the defendant's vehicle he saw one man hand a dollar note to Wong.

Defendant pleaded guilty but said in mitigation that he had a wife and four children to support. They were at present in the country. He was drawing a salary of about \$180 a month.

INTERPRETATION ORDINANCE

The Legislative Council yesterday passed the second and third readings of the Interpretation Ordinance, 1949—an ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to the construction and interpretation of the law applicable to the Colony.

Council also approved the additional supplementary provision for the fourth quarter of the year ended March 31, 1949, which was moved by the Financial Secretary, Mr. C. O. S. Follows.

The Financial Secretary explained that the schedule, which had already been approved by the Finance Committee, contained no really large amounts—except a provision of HK\$1,300,000 to cover an excess on the vote for cost of living allowances; and an item of 100 more than HK\$300,000 for acceptance period salaries.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

FIRST RACE MEETING

Saturday, 11th February 1950.

There are nine races; the First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Tickets (9 Races—\$18) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the Hong Kong Derby to be run at the Easter Race Meeting in April, 1950. Cash Sweep tickets on the last race and those for the Hong Kong Derby may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting Ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen non members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure within the precincts of the Club, including tax, for Ladies or Gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary on the written personal introduction of a Member such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of times will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3— including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAG MEN ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING. MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

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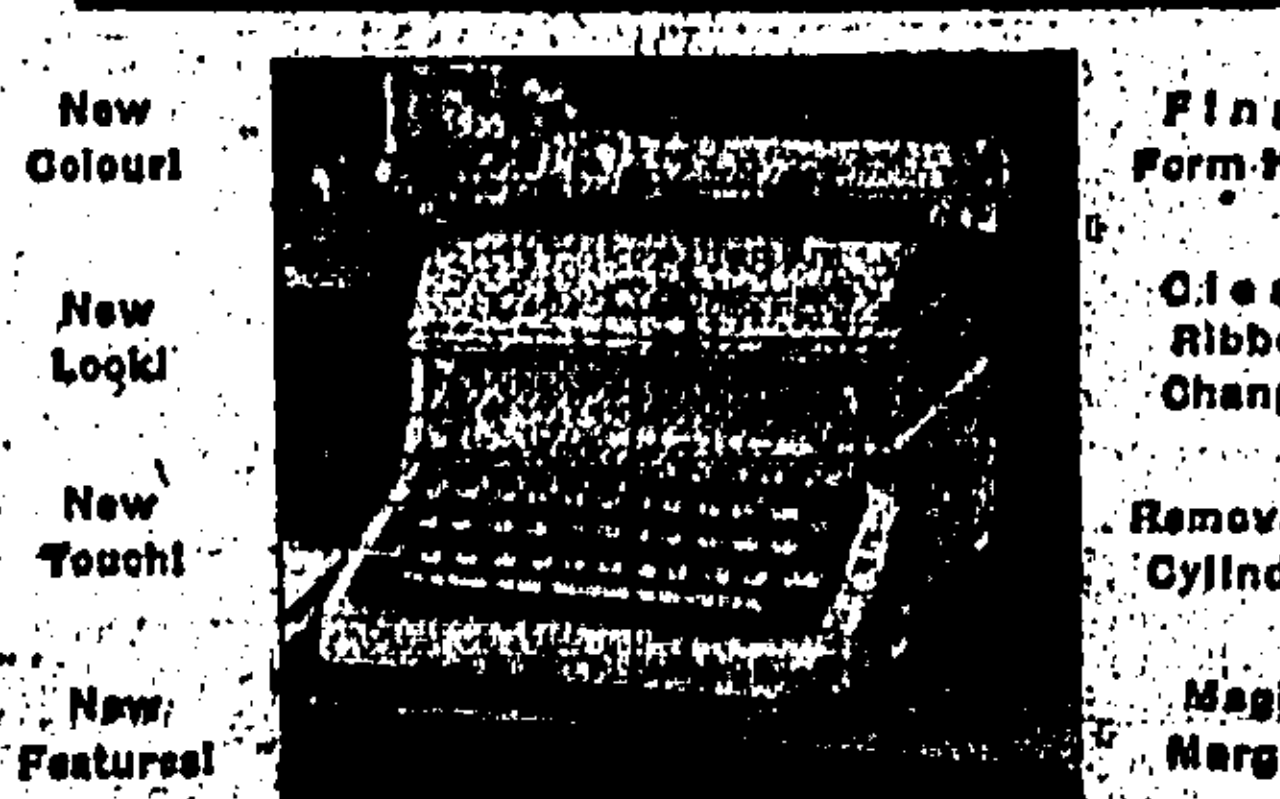
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Notice is hereby given that
the Thirty-first Ordinary
Yearly Meeting of this Com-
pany will be held at the Regis-
tered Office of the Company
No. 10, Des Voeux Road Cen-
tral, on Saturday, the 11th
February, 1950 at 2.30 p.m. for
the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Board of Direc-
tors together with a State-
ment of Accounts for the year
ended 31st December, 1949 and
to elect Directors and appoint
auditors.

The Register of Shares of the
Company will be closed from
Saturday, 4th February, 1950
to Saturday, 11th February,
1950 (both days inclusive) dur-
ing which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board
of Directors,
KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, January 23, 1950.

HONGKONG REALTY
& TRUST
COMPANY LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that
an Extraordinary General Meet-
ing of the Shareholders of the
Company will be held at the
Registered Office of the Com-
pany, 218/219 Queen's Build-
ing, Hong Kong at 11.00 a.m.
on Friday, 10th February, 1950
for the purpose of considering
and if thought fit passing the
following Resolution as an Or-
dinary Resolution.

"That the authorised capi-
tal of the Company be in-
creased from the present
capital of \$2,000,000 divided
into 2,000,000 shares of
\$1.00 each to \$5,000,000
by the creation of 3,000,000
additional shares of the
nominal value of \$1.00
each."

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
WHELOCK-MARDEN
& COMPANY, LIMITED,
Secretaries &
General Managers.

Hong Kong, January 25, 1950.

THE HONG KONG
JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE

1st RACE MEETING—
11TH FEBRUARY, 1950

In view of the large entry
for the "Taiwan Bay Handi-
cap" it has been decided to
split the race into three sec-
tions. The third section will
be Race No. 10 and run at 6.15
p.m. or as soon after as prac-
ticable.

There will be no cash sweep
on this race.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
Secretary.

THE HONG KONG
ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS
ASSOCIATIONANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING

The Annual General Meeting
of the Hong Kong Anti-Tuber-
culosis Association will be held
on Thursday, 23rd February,
1950 at 5.30 p.m. in the South
China Morning Post Board
Room.

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Annual report of
Commissioner
of Prisons

Three suggestions have been made by Mr. W.
Shillingford, Commissioner of Prisons, to help
relieve the local community of the cost of
maintaining prisoners—more than HK\$1,000,-
000 yearly.

He proposes a comprehensive and liberally-used
Probation System; a reasonable allowance in
time in which to pay fines; and enforcement,
when possible, of payment of fines, if neces-
sary by distraint on goods.

In his annual report for
1948-49, the Commissioner of
Prisons said that he is con-
fident that adoption of the sug-
gestions would result. In the
vast majority of petty offend-
ers paying for their offences.
He added that he is equally
confident that adoption of the
three proposals would also have
a certain deterrent effect. "At
present the State is being fined,
instead of the offenders against
its own laws," said Mr. Shilling-
ford.

His statistics on prisoners show
that during 1948-49, one out of
every 535 persons of the Colony's
1,800,000 population was admitted
to prison during the year.
Mr. Shillingford explained,
however, that it must be realised
that every admission did not in-
volve a different person. Many
persons were admitted more than
once to serve short sentences in
the course of the same year.

For each trivial offence, as
"miffing," "obeying a call of na-
ture" and "hawking without a
licence," 6,254 persons (5,291 men
and 963 women) served short
sentences. They accounted for
nearly 40 per cent of the daily
average prison population.

Mr. Shillingford added that
the fact makes it obvious that
the expenditure in maintaining
prisoners is not justified. It is
also obvious that mere economy
demands alternatives to this
expensive process of imprisonment.

During the year now under
report the main objectives have
therefore been decentralisation,
provision of increased accommo-
dation for prisoners, and a more
elementary classification, selec-
tion of a more suitable type of
personnel, training of that per-
sonnel, and provision of useful
employment for prisoners.

Progress towards these ob-
jectives has been made during the
year. The steps taken have in-
cluded completion of the first part
of the reconstruction of the Vic-
toria Gaol which was reopened on
December 1, 1948 to provide satis-
factory accommodation for 510
prisoners segregated according to
classification, and the opening of
a Young Prisoners' Training Cen-
tre; the institution of training
classes for locally engaged sub-
ordinate staff whereby all new
applicants have been required to
pass a simple education test before
being engaged and thereafter to
undergo concentrated training for
at least a month before taking up
their duties, and refresher courses
of a month's duration for all other
warders.

It has been a long and up-hill
struggle to overcome the pre-
judice against prison labour and
the products thereof, but this has
been achieved to such a satisfac-
tory extent, that from the middle
of the year it can be claimed that
all the thousand-odd male pris-
oners with sentence of two years
or more, and some 400 with sen-
tences varying from six months to
18 months, have been fully em-
ployed in the workshops of Stan-
ley Prisons, manufacturing a wide
range of articles for Government
Stores and other Government De-
partments.

Increase persists

The unskilled labour parties
working on reclamation schemes
outside the prisons, which pro-
vided employment for a daily
average of 200 prisoners at the
beginning of the year, employed
a daily average of 800 prisoners
during the latter half of the year.

The problem of providing oc-
cupation for those serving sen-
tences of a month or less has
been partially solved by collect-
ing all old clothing, and other
material condemned by various
Boards of Survey and convert-
ing it by hand-picking etc. into
cotton-waste, rag-mops, clean-
ing and so on.

The increase in prison popu-
lation has persisted, although most
of the increase is accounted for by
petty offences rather than by an
increase in serious crime.

Paragraphs 14, 15 and 16 of the
Report show that the extremely
serious question of juvenile delin-
quency has to be met by depart-
mental improvisation in the case
of boys and that no practical pro-
vision is made for girls. Such an
approach to this problem is not
one of which the department can
be proud, although some satisfaction may be
derived from the fact that without
equipment, buildings or trained
personnel at least some effort has
been made to build a foundation
from which proper and permanent
means may be developed to deal
with this problem.

Juvenile Remand Homes, anti-
social investigation, Probation
Officers, Approved Schools, and
Borstals are all necessary elements
of the lines of the Borstal Asso-
ciation of England and Wales pro-

vide the only ultimately satisfac-
tory solution and there is little
doubt that the capital expenditure
of money on such projects would
be justified by the dividends of
human salvage in the early stages
of deterioration.

Japanese
trade with
Red China

Tokyo, February 8.
The International Trade
Minister, Hattori Inagaki, said
in the national legislature to-
day that Japan's trade with
Red China is steadily progress-
ing.

He told a questioner that the
Trade Ministry estimated that
most of the \$30,000,000 worth of
Japanese goods exported to China
via Hong Kong during 1949 found
destinations in Communist ter-
ritories.

He added: "A fair amount of
trade was recently developed on a
barter system between Japan
and the North China ports of
Tientsin and Tientsin."

The minister said Japan recently
imported coal from the Kailan
mines in North China and talks
were in progress for the im-
portation of more coal from the
Fushun area in Manchuria.

He said Japanese exports to
Red China included electric
wires, jewellery, machinery and
machinery parts.

The Nippon Special Ceramic
Company of Tokyo today reported
the first shipment of Japanese-
made automobile parts to Red
China. The company said the
shipment consisted of 5,000 spark
plugs valued at US\$900.

It said the shipment left
Nagoya, Honshu, yesterday for
Tientsin via Hong Kong. It added
that the order came from a
"Chinese-American company" in
Tientsin.

The company spokesman told
the Press they expected to receive
further inquiries for similar mer-
chandise from Red China—United
Press.

DEATH OF GENERAL
KIRKPATRICK

London, February 8.
General Sir George Kirkpatrick,
whose death at Southampton at the
age of 83 was announced today,
served with the Royal Engineers
for 54 years.

During his service career he
filled numerous important gen-
eral-staff appointments. After be-
ing commissioned in the Royal
Engineers in 1885, he served in
South Africa, Canada, India, and
China. He was Major-General during
the 1914 war—Reuter.

PLANE ATTACKS
GERMAN TRAWLER

Cuxhaven, February 8.
Another German fishing trawler
complained today of having been
attacked in Heligoland harbour
by an unidentified plane.

The trawler, from Schullau near
Hamburg, reported that a four-
engined plane of the Lancaster
type, bearing the marks US-416,
machine-gunned it five times on
Monday in diving attacks from a
height of 3,000 feet. Nobody was
hurt and no damage was done—
Reuter.

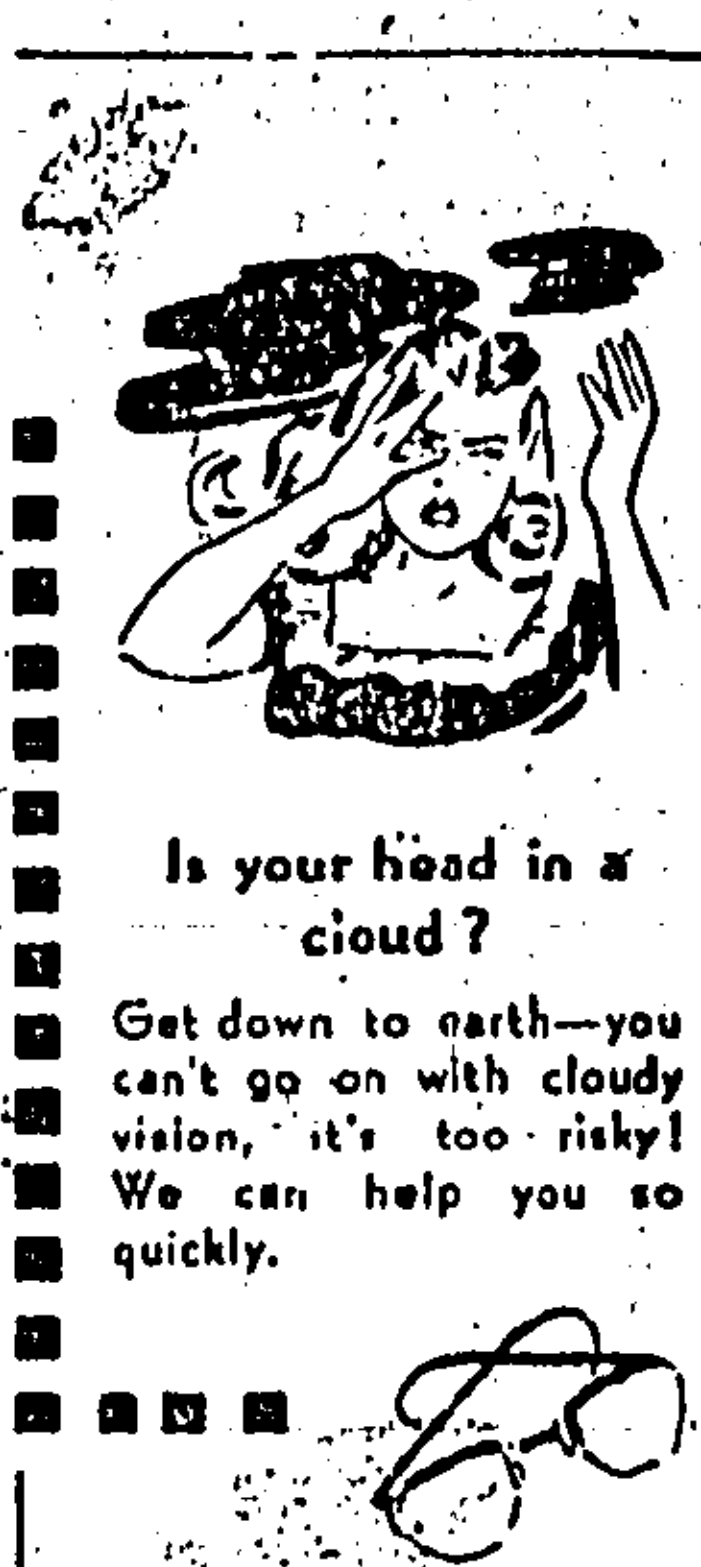
INJUNCTION AGAINST
NATIONALIST SHIP

Sydney, February 8.
An interim injunction to pre-
vent the sailing before Friday of
the 3,805-ton Chinese Nationalist
ship Union Builder, claimed by
the United States as security for
a mortgage, was granted by the
Equity Court here today to the
United States Government and the
United States Maritime Commis-
sion.

An affidavit made on behalf of
the United States Government
stated that the ship was given
as security by the Chinese (Na-
tionalist) Republic for a mortgage
which had been defaulted—Reu-
ter.

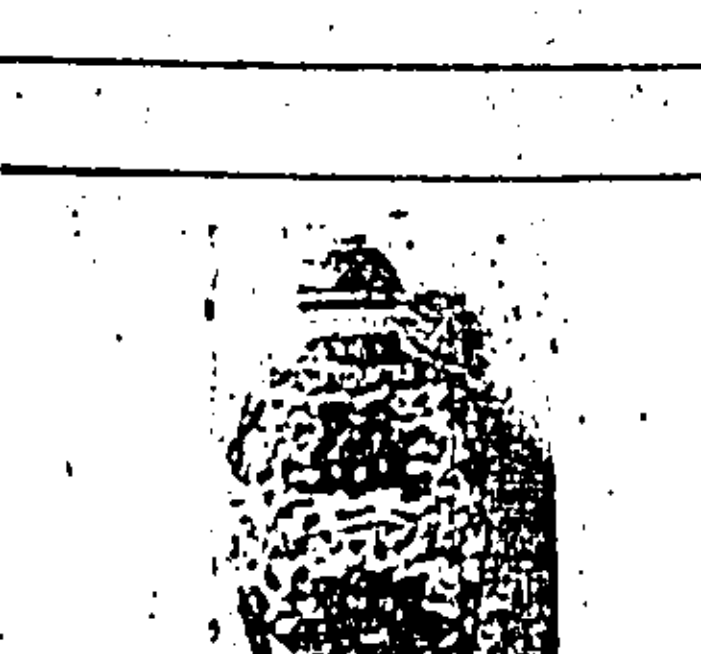
HMS KENYA IN
RANGOON

Rangoon, Burma, February 8.
The British cruiser Kenya, first
British warship to enter Burmese
waters since Burma became in-
dependent two years ago, arrived
here today. The ship has been
sent from Ceylon for anti-air-
craft duties—Associated Press.



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PIECEMEAL PLANS BAD

MANY AN average player
seems to treat each trick as an
entirely separate matter, having
nothing to do with anything else.
Consequently you sometimes see
a mistake made which is due
solely to the fact that the player
did not consider the contract as a
whole, but only the situation in
the particular suit someone
has just led. No play should
ever be made for its own sake
alone, but only because of its
apparently probable influence on
the end result.

S Q 8
H A K 10 9 8 6 4
D 8 6 4
C 5
S A 5 3 2
H Q J 7
D K Q
C K Q 4 3 2

Dealer: South. (Both sides vul-
nerable).

	South	West	North	East
1 S	Pass	2 H	Pass	
3 D	Pass	3 H	Pass	
4 C	Pass	4 H	Pass	
4 S	Pass	Pass	5 D	

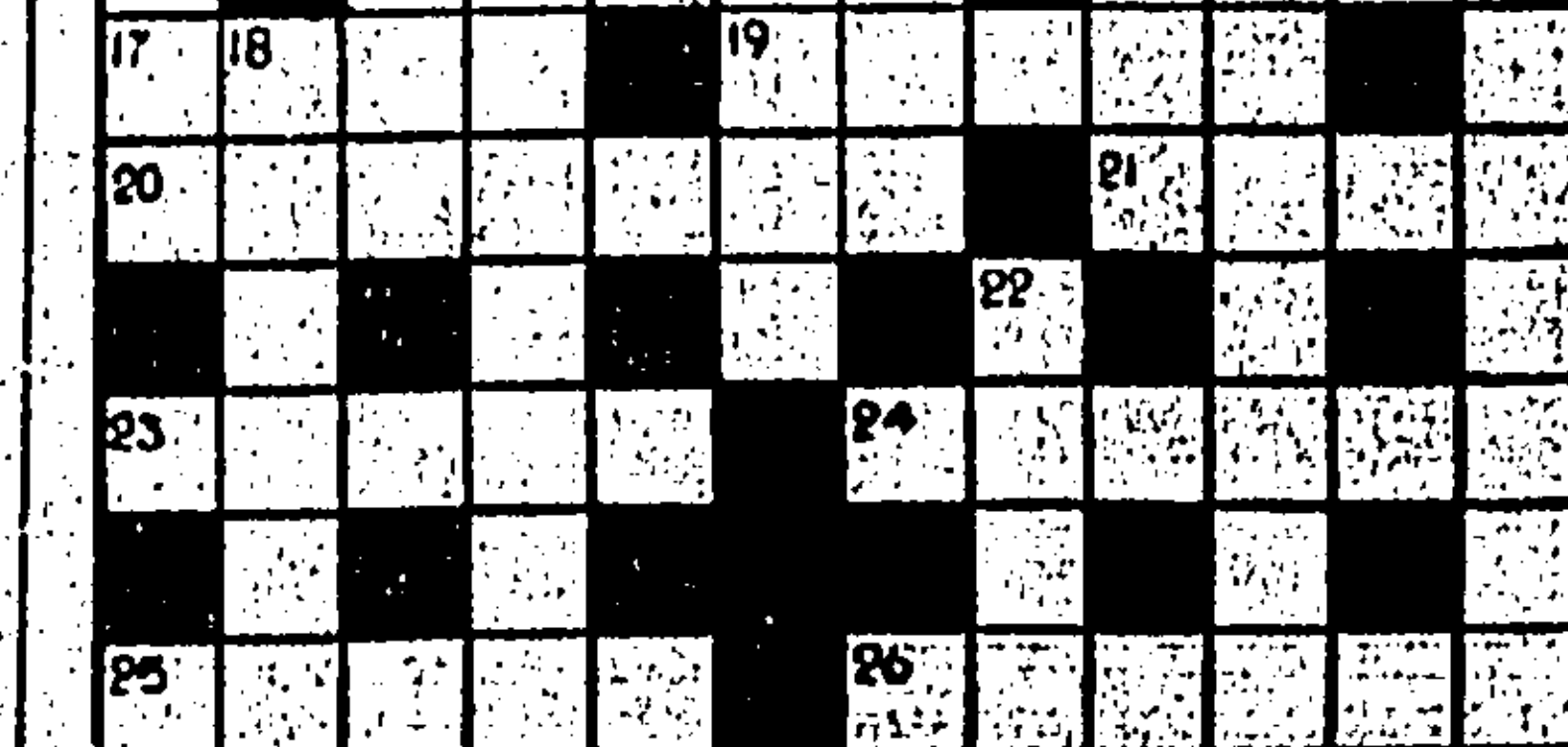
If South had not considered his
partner an undependable player
of the cards, he would have
passed to 4-Hearts, which North
could have made easily, losing
only one trick in trumps, one in

spades and one in diamonds,
since a losing diamond could have
been parked on a club honour.

As it happened, a better score
was made in the 4-Spades be-
cause it was doubled. But to do
it, South required help from the
errant doubler in the East. West
decided that the double asked for
a trump lead, so he put forth the
9. South played the 8 from dum-
my and East, noting a chance to
knock off the Q later, held up
his A. South took that trick
with the J, scored the club A and
K, then ruffed the club 8 with
the spade Q, which East there-
fore never got another chance to
kill with his A. The two heart
tricks furnished discards of South's
last club and a diamond. After
that nothing could be lost except
one trick to the spade A and two
in diamonds.

If East had put his thinking
cap on, he could have seen the
certainty of preventing the im-
portant one ruff of a club in dum-
my. He should have won the
first trick with his spade A and
returned another spade to re-
move the Q. After that South
would have had to lose three
tricks in the minors, as only two
of the five losers there could
have been put on heart tops.

Why is it sometimes unwise,
during the bidding, to figure out
a way to give your partner the
largest possible amount of accu-
rate information about your
hands?



A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE

Across										Down				
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2	Resolute	20	Present	21	Relative	22	Message	23	14	For or	15	16		
3	Subject	21	Forsook	22	Simple	23	Unproduc-	24	17	18	19	20		
4	Narrow	22	Simple	23	Unproduc-	24	17	18	19	20	21	22		
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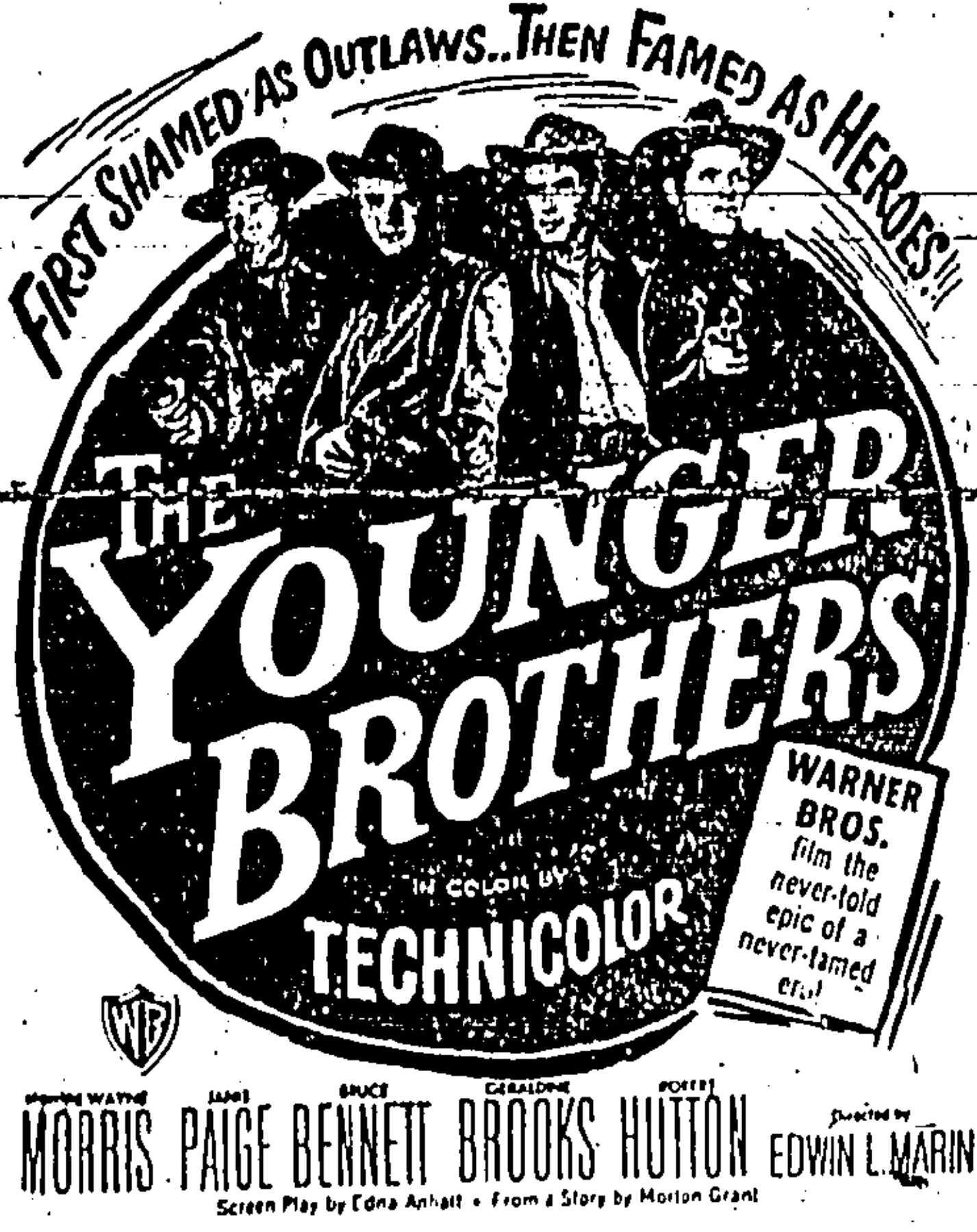
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2.30, 5.15,
7.20 & 9.20 P.M.

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BRITISH NEWS
2. RIAPSOBY IN
RABBIT
(Technicolor Cartoon)
3. A DAY AT
HOLLYWOOD PARK
(IN TECHNICOLOR)

at the KING'S
1. LATEST PARAMOUNT
NEWS
2. HAIR RAISING
HARE
(Technicolor Cartoon)
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DRAPER CALLS FOR BOLD POLICY TOWARDS JAPAN

Pakistan's decision welcomed

Capetown, February 7. The South African Indian Federation and the Cape Muslim League today welcomed Pakistan's decision to withdraw the sanctions against the Union.

They condemned a South African Congress statement criticising Pakistan's action.

Mr. C. M. Anglia, Chairman of the South African Indian Federation, said that he could not understand what had prompted the Congress to denounce Pakistan's decision.

"It seems to me that in their anger at the Pakistan delegation's refusal to attend a reception which the Congress had advertised without the prior consent of the delegation, the Congress have thrown all discretion overboard," he said.

Goodwill gesture

Pakistan's move had given the fullest satisfaction to the majority of Indians in South Africa, who felt that a gesture of goodwill was a necessary prerequisite to a lasting settlement, he added.

(Delegates from Pakistan, India and South Africa are at present holding talks here on a preliminary round-table conference to determine the rights of Asians in South Africa).

The Cape Muslim statement said: "Muslims in the Cape Province, in common with Muslims in other parts of the Union, welcome the decision of the Pakistan Government to remove the trade ban.

"They feel that this gesture is very necessary to create an atmosphere of goodwill. The South African Indian Congress, in keeping with their negative policy, have condemned this wise move."—Reuter.

Palestine's big freeze diminishing

Jerusalem, February 7. Palestine's big freeze showed signs of diminishing today after the coldest recorded week-end for 80 years. Temperatures rose slightly throughout the country following a cold wave which severely damaged crops, caused one air crash and several accidents and brought snow to the Jerusalem area for the first time in living memory.

Immigrant camps were badly affected. Four Yemenite immigrants were killed when one roof in the Shein Shbmer camp, near Tel Aviv, collapsed under the weight of snow.

Several refugees were reported to have been killed when the walls of holy places collapsed in Jerusalem itself.

It was reported from Syria today that troops had to repel hunger-driven wolves from the town of Hama, Syria, where the temperature was 15 degrees below zero Centigrade.

The present Middle East "winter blanket" was also covering Egypt and the Lebanon.—Reuter.

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New York, February 7. Major-General William H. Draper, former Under-Secretary of the Army for occupied areas and at present vice-president of the investment and banking firm of Dillon Read & Company, said tonight that the United States will win approval of world opinion by boldly determining its course for peace in Japan.

Addressing the Foreign Policy Association, General Draper said, in a prepared advance speech: "Our own American role has been a proud one indeed. To a very large degree we fought and won the Pacific war. Since the surrender, to a very large degree we fought and paid for and nearly won peace.

"If we determine our course for peace boldly, and on right lines—and with proper safeguards—and then stick to our guns, we will win approval of world opinion by boldly determining its course for peace in Japan."

General Draper paid great tribute to General Douglas MacArthur and to the occupation's successes.

Foreign aid sought

He said Japan wants foreign investment, but above all she wants aid and is prepared for "American engineering, American techniques and American industrial management. Only after a treaty of peace, when she again is her own master, can she bargain effectively and in her own right for American and other foreign skills and machines and patent rights she so badly needs and desires."

General Draper said he was not advocating investment by American public in Japanese securities or in Japanese companies, and added: "Aside from hydro-electric power projects—which would need future financing from the world Bank or some such agency, opportunities exist, I would say, in nearly every field of industry in steel, aluminium, coal mining, chemicals, synthetic textiles, electrical equipment, heavy and light machinery and in shipping."

The former State Department official stressed "great present opportunities exist for American companies willing to supply technical help, engineering personnel, patent processes and prototype machines in exchange for stock interest and royalties."

He listed several features of Japanese economy which would be considered attractive to future investors. He said the Japanese government is now considering legislation to assume the convertibility and free transfer abroad of interest and of dividend earnings on approved foreign investments.

"Private enterprise is being encouraged more and more," he said. "No consideration is being given to nationalisation of industry. In fact there is even some talk of turning the present tobacco monopoly and government railroads over to private ownership and management. Price controls and directed allocations of raw materials have been rapidly lifted."

General Draper suggested a moderate income tax, reduced to 35 per cent, and said the Japanese would probably alter the mission's (which he headed last year) suggested levels for personal income tax—criticised by United States businessmen as too high and as a deterrent to investment.

He listed Commodore Perry and General MacArthur as the two Americans who have changed Japan's history.

He paid tribute to Emperor Hirohito, saying: "Under the emperor's leadership—he was wisely spared—the Japanese people fully co-operated with General MacArthur and the occupation forces."

On Japan's recovery, he said: "During the past two years Japan's total industrial production has doubled—an almost unparalleled accomplishment. As a result, her standard of living has risen and her exports have tripled."

General Draper reported: "Last year General Frank A. McCoy, chairman of the American representative on the Far Eastern Commission, made a statement on American policy on reparations, which virtually settled that issue and leaves to Japan the great bulk of its industrial plant and equipment."

Shrunk to half

"The \$500,000,000 required in United States aid two years ago will have shrunk to half that amount for the coming fiscal year and if present progress is continued it can be eliminated entirely in two or three years. Dollar wheat will be gradually replaced by rice in exchange for Japanese industrial exports. If food production continues to increase in Siam, Burma and Korea."

General Draper continued: "Dollar cotton will still be needed in Japan and must be forthcoming in time by increased Japanese exports to the dollar area. He praised Japan for pledging repayment of foreign debts and ending the stability of Japanese bonds on the British market, paid by British investors and American banks, apparently, believe in Japan's future.—United Press.

Back to nature gets them nutty

Istanbul, February 7. The attempt of two 30-year-old Turkish twins to get back to nature has landed them in an insane asylum.

Mehmet and Bekir Tantiwerli have lived for the last seven years in the dense green forests of Gurem, near the Black Sea, without a stitch of clothing, and without any other human contact.

The twins lived in human society until they were 27, served three years in the infantry, but found they did not want to live with their fellow folk when they were discharged.

When soldiers started their chase to capture the two, they ran to the thicket groves of the forest, and climbed to the highest branches of trees, as fast as they could. Finally captured, the twins embraced each other and waited for the fate worse than death—civilization.

Their bodies were covered with thick layers of dirt, giving them an animal appearance. Their long hair, beards and moustaches mingled in a demonic tangle, and both of them speak with great difficulty.

Mehmet is less anti-social, and his brother imitates all his motions, moving his lips as Mehmet tries to speak.

Doctors in the Istanbul insane asylum said they will first attempt to impose a "normal living system" on the Tantiwerli brothers, and then apply medical treatment if necessary.—United Press.

"Fascists" cause disturbance in cinema

London, February 7. Disturbances in a Central London cinema last week during the showing of the American film, "Sword in the Desert," were organised by "certain known Fascist elements," a London County Council Committee chairman declared today.

Smoke bombs were thrown and fights broke out in the cinema during the showing of the film, which depicts the Jews' fight against British soldiers in Palestine before the end of Britain's mandate.

The Council—the licensing authority for cinemas and theatres in London—withdraw its permission from the manager of the cinema to show the film after these incidents.—Reuter.

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Debate on frontiers postponed

Lake Success, February 7. The General Assembly's Interim Committee today postponed the debate on delineation of the frontiers of former Italian colonies in Africa until member nations have had an opportunity to study the trusteeship arrangement for Italian administration of Somalia, recently concluded by the Trusteeship Council.

Also deferred was a proposal by Uruguay that an Italian representative be invited to participate in the debate and the proposal by Selim Sogor of Turkey that representatives of Libya, Somalia and Eritrea also be invited.

The Committee had before it a report by the Secretariat on the frontier question, which is expected to be accepted as the basis of discussion. Mahmoud Fawzi Bey of Egypt, however, reserved the position of his government in connection with the report. Fawzi Bey supported Uruguay in inviting Italy, but on the understanding that it would be invited for practical reasons only, since Italy did not have sovereignty over the territories concerned. —United Press.

Discussion of Berlin situation

Frankfurt, February 7. The German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, and the American High Commissioner, Mr. John McCloy, met here for three hours today and discussed the Berlin situation, a communiqué said tonight.

They also discussed the possibility of foreign investment in West German industry and a number of other economic matters particularly related to the development of the Marshall Plan in Germany, the entry of Germany into further international organizations, including the Council of Europe, the communiqué said.

The communiqué added, "Mr. McCloy discussed the impressions he had received as the result of his recent visit to the United States. There followed a general discussion of the pending problems facing the Federal Republic in which the Commission has an interest."

"Among the subjects discussed were the status of unemployment in Germany and the plans which the Federal Government has for its alleviation." —Reuter.

ONE KILLED IN PRISON FIGHT

Frankfurt, February 7. One person was killed and 39 injured yesterday when Communist prisoners attacked guards who were transferring them from Bygulla city gaol to Nask city gaol, 100 miles North East of here. The prisoners claimed they attacked their guards because they were being "transferred against their will." —United Press.

Frankfurt, February 7. A new traffic hold-up, created on both sides of the British-Russian zonal border by intensified East German (Soviet controlled) scrutiny early today, had greatly eased by tonight.

Guards, who had slowed down passage at the Helmstedt check-point so that at one stage this morning 150 West-bound and 50 East-bound lorries awaited clearance, were allowing them through faster. Late this afternoon only 30 were lined up for the West and 25 for the East.

In one hour before noon the East German police had passed only 10 lorries bound for the West. A British spokesman in Berlin said it was premature at the moment to say that a new Soviet blockade was being imposed.

Frankfurt official quarters also energetically self-peddled West-German action in cutting iron and steel deliveries to the Soviet Zone, though unofficial diplomatic quarters hailed it as the start of a counter-blockade.

In London, the spokesman of the Foreign Office said that the decision was taken by the Allied High Commission in Germany, but he would not agree with the interpretation of the move as a counter measure against the Soviet slow-down of traffic between Berlin and the West.

Watching closely

The British Government, he said, was watching closely the question of interference with Berlin's communications, but as a "separate matter."

In Bonn, the West German Chancellor, said that West German steel deliveries to the Soviet Zone had been halted because the Soviet Zone authorities were behind in their deliveries to Western Germany under the one-year inter-zonal trade pact which expires this summer.

Simultaneously with the Foreign Office statement in London, British officials in Germany denied that the measure had been adopted in consultation with the Allied High Commission, and said it was a purely West German Government move.

Dr. Adenauer and the United States High Commissioner, Mr. John J. McCloy, meanwhile discussed the Berlin situation and other subjects for three hours here this afternoon.

Foreign investment

They also discussed the possibility of foreign investment in West German industry and, according to a communiqué tonight, "a number of other economic matters, particularly related to the development of the Marshall Plan in Germany and the entry of Germany into further international organizations, including the Council of Europe."

The East German news agency, ADN, declared that the ban of steel to the East was imposed on direct instructions from Mr. McCloy.

"By forbidding steel deliveries the Anglo-Americans want to hit the internal German exchange of food which is now getting under way and make it illusory," it added.

United States officials denied, however, that the Allies were responsible for the move. —Reuter.

Tanganyika Government praised

Geneva, February 7. Francis B. Sayre, chief American delegate, told the UN Trusteeship Council Tuesday that it should commend the British administration of Tanganyika for its efforts to promote the political, economic and social advancement of the territory's 7,000,000 people.

In the political field, he pointed out in particular the efforts to increase self-government on a local level and the establishment of a Constitutional Development Commission.

He said living standards had improved, and he praised the British administration's efforts to conserve and improve natural resources, the establishment of a land bank for facilitating loans to farmers and co-operative societies, and the formation of a special soil conservation service to deal with one of Tanganyika's most urgent problems.

Secondary industries

At the same, Sayre urged the administering authority to establish more secondary industries based on local resources for the production of consumer goods.

He commended efforts to improve the medical staff and medical facilities of Tanganyika, but said it was extremely disappointing to learn that only 38 medical officers were in service at the end of the year. Similarly, he said, only 10 health inspectors were in service, although an establishment of 35 had been approved.

Sayre suggested that the administering authority explore the possibility of recruiting doctors from among the displaced persons under the care of the International Refugee Organisation in Europe. —Associated Press.

MONTHLY CONCERTS FOR YOUTHS

Paris, February 7. Young and unknown music composers of all nations will present concerts of their works at UNESCO House, once a month, starting now.

Chamber music and orchestra music will alternate, month by month.

The concerts will be under the patronage of the International Music Council.

The first concert will be of quartets written by Heitor Villa-Lobos, of Uruguay; Karol Gocynski, of Belgium; Charles Jones, of the United States; Narcis Bonet, of Spain; and Olivier Alain, of France. —Reuter.

Britain explores Antarctic



The voyage of the British Antarctic exploration ship, John Biscoe, and the death of two of the 11 scientists manning it, wind-blown Stonington Island for two years have underlined the importance to Britain of her Antarctic possessions. Britain staked a claim in the Antarctic by her expedition in 1908. The territories included Graham Land, the mainland mass, and the islands about it—the South Shetlands, South Orkneys and South Georgia. Scientific research stations were set up by the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey, and Britain has constantly led in scientific progress in these areas. Photo shows a relief party from the John Biscoe (background) feeling its way through ice floes at Hope Bay, the party's base. The ship is a former Admiralty netlayer with hull specially strengthened for ice breaking. (AP Photo).

Russians try to form new parties in Austria

Vienna, February 7.

The Russians are attempting to form two new parties, supported mainly by former Nazis, according to usually well informed political sources in Vienna. They were already largely responsible for the League of Independents and for its being allowed to take part in the elections in October, 1949, in which the League scored 16 seats in Parliament.

Now, the Soviet element of the Allied Council is pointing to the League as a Nazi organization, declaring that its existence is proof that the Nazis are still too powerful in Austria.

The two new groups of former Nazis which have both applied to the Austrian Ministry of the Interior for permission to form parties are the National League of Working Austrians and the National Democratic Association.

The National League of Working Austrians (Nationale Liga Scharfender Oesterreicher) has already submitted its programme and statutes to the Ministry of the Interior.

A certain Herr Krupichka alias "President of the new group." All that is known of him to the police is that he belonged to the German Paulus Army which surrendered to the Russians at Stalingrad and that he received a course of training in one of the Soviet "Amal" (anti-fascist) camps for prisoners of war before returning to Austria.

The wardens said that the galleys were apparently smuggled into the prison a little at a time by prisoners who stole it from explosives charges used in the stone quarry. —Associated Press.

Jewels get a bath

London, February 7. Three young men went to work in a locked room at the Tower of London today giving £2,000,000 worth of jewels a bath.

The collection comprises the Crown Jewels and Royal Regalia which are kept on display in the Tower Jewel House.

The youths work for Garrard and Company, the Crown Jewellers. The washing is expected to occupy them until Thursday night. Their identity is secret.

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WESTERN EUROPE ASKS FOR MORE MARSHALL AID AGAINST RED TIDE

Small cut in aid acceptable

Washington, February 7. The Economic Co-operation Administrator Paul Hoffman, today hinted that the administration might accept a small cut in Marshall Plan spending, below President Truman's US\$4,100,000,000 request for the fiscal year 1951. But at the same time he told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that a drastic cut would be tragic because Western Europe remained the No. 1 battlefield in the fight against Communism.

Mr. Hoffman met the Committee for three hours to set the stage for the hearings on the third year renewal of the recovery programme. The hearings open on February 21.

Afterwards, the Committee chairman, Senator Tom Connally, told newsmen he had an intimation that Mr. Hoffman was ready to go down a bit below Mr. Truman's budget figure. Some Appropriations Committee Senators already have called for a cut of between \$800,000,000 and \$1,000,000,000.

According to the statement released by Senator Connally after the meeting, Mr. Hoffman described as discouraging the failure of the "dual pricing" system under which export prices are higher than those charged for goods sold within participating countries. Also in the discouraging category was failure to move toward increased convertibility of currency within Europe.

"Mr. Hoffman expressed great disappointment on this score," said Senator Connally.

On the credit side, Mr. Hoffman cited the European decision to free 50 per cent of inter-European trade from quantitative restrictions and the appointment of Dr. Dick Stikker of the Netherlands to a high political post in a move to free trade barriers.

Battle plan

Senator Connally indicated that Mr. Hoffman laid down his battle plan for the forthcoming fight over the renewal programme along these lines:

1. A request that all legislators refrain from passing judgment on the ECA fund request until evidence is in.

2. A declaration that Western Europe remained the chief testing ground in the struggle between democracy and Communism and that drastic ECA cuts would undermine the West's position.

3. Although Mr. Hoffman has had a good deal of trouble in pressing his single market or integration plan for Western Europe, some progress in this direction has been made. But trade barriers, currency restrictions and lower tariffs must come soon to make United States aid more effective.

4. The United States must learn that it must make it possible for Europe to earn dollars to buy United States goods if "healthy" world economy is to be assured.

5. Western Germany's inclusion in European integration plans is mandatory because without the inclusion of Germany there is no European unification worth talking about.

Mr. Hoffman himself told reporters that the speech of John McCloy, United States High Commissioner for Germany, had his enthusiastic support. He reiterated to newsmen that those nations which had followed a policy of trade co-operation and currency convertibility would "have our encouragement and assistance."

Washington, February 7. Western Europe has asked for another \$4,700,000,000 to \$5,000,000,000 in Marshall aid over the next two years to hold the line against Communism.

This is asked in a survey by European member areas at the half-way mark of the recovery programme inspired 32 months ago by the U.S. ex-Secretary of State Mr. George C. Marshall. The \$8,257,000,000 already poured in, the report said, has removed the immediate threat of bankruptcy and economic dissolution with the political threats which would follow.

The report also said that the production effort is succeeding beyond expectations with 1949 figures on everything from automobiles to zinc oxides up 25 per cent from 1947.

The experts said: "Considerable progress has been made in... internal financial stability... and the habit of working together has been formed in all the OEEC countries."

Still to be solved, however, is the problem of how Europe can get the dollars to buy the American goods it needs after Marshall aid ends in 1952.

The document, 325 pages of closely-printed economics scattered with tables and graphs, will be closely scanned by the U.S. Congress before hearing of appropriations for 1950-51 start on February 21.

The report's figure on needs for this period is roughly \$3,000,000,000 dollars—not including military aid.

Cut feared

President Truman has asked for \$3,000,000,000, but fears that this will be cut by an economically-minded Congress. For 1949-50, the total of Marshall aid was \$3,778,000,000, plus about \$400,000,000 in special assistance for Western Germany.

The experts who drafted the report calculated that the OEEC countries could continue their recovery if they got 75 per cent of that for 1950-51 and 50 per cent for 1951-52. This declining figure—and the complete halt for mid-1952—was part of the original plan.

Written by a committee under the Chairmanship of the British economist Mr. Eric Roll, the report keeps diplomatically silent on the wide-spread European hope for longer-range aid.

"After the middle of 1952," it says, "Western Europe will in any case have to balance its dollar accounts."

But the experts wonder whether this will have to be done by cutting down European imports from the U.S.

The report points out that although the dollar gap has been narrowed considerably since the war, it will still be more than \$2,000,000,000 wide in 1951-52. A broad gap to bridge all at once.

The report was divided into four parts: progress to date, plans for 1950-52, the policies of full recovery and the course ahead.

The dollar gap is the difference between what Western Europe sells to America and the much larger amount that it has been buying—and paying for with Marshall funds.

America has to work at making trade more of a two-way street, the report suggested. It touched on one of the constant complaints of Europeans who try to sell their goods in the U.S.—Custom House red tape.

"For example," the experts wrote, "cut flowers delivered by air are sometimes withheld before they are released by Customs."

And what does get in may cost the buyer more because of the whims of a Customs official. City asphalt, they pointed out, pay only 15 per cent duty if they are found to be "household articles," 30 per cent if they are "smoking."

U.S. gives Vietnam recognition

Washington, February 7. The United States today gave full diplomatic recognition to the French-backed Government of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia in Indo-China.

The United States recognition followed by a few hours the recognition of the three Indo-China Governments by Britain.

The action of the United States in recognising the Governments, including the French-supported Bao Dai regime, recalled the comment by Mr. Dean Acheson, United States Secretary of State, on Russian recognition of the Ho Chi-minh regime.

"Russia's action should remove any illusions as to the Nationalist nature of Ho Chi-minh's aims and reveal Ho in his true colours as the moral enemy of native independence in Indo-China," Mr. Acheson said.

Minister named

The United States announcement said that the American Consulate at Saigon would be raised to the status of a Legation, and that a single Minister would be appointed by President Truman to represent United States in all three States.

The State Department said, "Our diplomatic recognition of these Governments is based on the formal establishment of the State of Vietnam, the Kingdom of Laos and the Kingdom of Cambodia as independent states within the French Union."

The Department warned that the United States was considering what action it could take to ensure that the development of Indo-China would not be hindered by internal dissension fostered from abroad.—Reuter.

Polish envoy quits Belgrade

Belgrade, Feb. 7. It was disclosed today that Jan Naroj Wende, Polish Ambassador to Yugoslavia, left Belgrade last week-end, completing the diplomatic embargo imposed by the Cominform against Marshal Tito's Government.

There are no more chiefs of mission—Ambassadors or Ministers—in Belgrade from the seven Eastern European Communist countries who two years ago were Tito Yugoslavia's closest allies. Only few junior diplomatic and service attaches, living in ever greater isolation, remained to carry out the business of the seven Embassies and Legations.

The Polish Ambassador, who was dean of the diplomatic corps,

An idea that will travel



The children of Exeter's Nursery School—opened recently and one of only two of its kind built under the 1944 Education Act—had their "eleventh" served by an unusual visitor. She was 35-year-old Mrs. Budardjo, who had travelled 9,000 miles to study Britain's most up-to-date educational development. Mrs. Budardjo, assistant to Indonesia's Minister of Social Affairs, saw 32 children between two and five learning their first lesson in citizenship: rely on yourself—but don't be selfish. (Associated Press Photo).

British recognition of Vietnam counter to spread of Communism

London, February 7.

Britain's Labour Government, in what was probably its last act in foreign affairs before the General Election on February 23, recognised the French-sponsored Vietnam regime of Bao Dai in Indo-China as a counter to the spread of Communism in South East Asia.

Britain's action marked the culmination of three years of negotiation between the moderate Nationalists in Indo-China and the French government, during which the Communist-inspired Viet Minh movement led by Moscow-trained Ho Chi-minh has persistently opposed all French authority in Indo-China. Russia and her satellites have recognised Ho Chi-minh's regime.

Ho Chi-minh is a native of Annam who went to Moscow in 1923 to study the revolutionary technique. Since then, he has been actively engaged in carrying out his part of the Communist programme in South East Asia.

British recognition of the Bao Dai regime was advocated by the Commissioner General for South East Asia, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, at the Colombo conference of the Commonwealth Foreign Ministers in January.

Mr. MacDonald appealed to all Commonwealth members to support the French-sponsored Government, which he said, was a result of policy in line with Commonwealth recognition of genuine nationalism in dependent territories.

Mr. MacDonald said Indo-China included three territories—Laos, Cambodia, and Vietnam—which are recognised as fully self-governing within the framework of the French Union. Laos and Cambodia, with independent sovereign status within the French Union, he said, were "tranquil and free of trouble-makers." Vietnam, on the other hand, was "torn by civil war because the Nationalist Government is split in two, one part led by

used the usual diplomatic phrase "short stay" to describe his visit to Poland. However, at the Polish Embassy it was learned that Mr. Wende was shipping his personal effects home and that, while he might return to Belgrade briefly, he definitely would not remain here.—United Press.

Red zealots

He charged that about 80 per cent of Ho Chi-minh's supporters were "genuine nationalists" and the remaining 20 per cent "Communist zealots."

"It is this Communist minority, however, which controls the Viet Minh movement," said Mr. MacDonald.

Mr. MacDonald said Communists held the chief posts on Ho Chi-minh's administration, which was proclaimed in August 1945, immediately after the Japanese surrender, when France was not in a position to occupy Indo-China.

"If they win the civil war in Vietnam, Ho Chi-minh's movement will hand their countrymen over to the control of their overlords in Russia," declared Mr. MacDonald.

Bao Dai's nationalist movement, he said, was led by sincere Indo-Chinese patriots (who) wish their country to become free from both French tutelage and Russian or any other foreign domination.

Following the Colombo conference, the French Government ratified an agreement made with Bao Dai in March 1949, giving full Government to Vietnam.

Russia countered by recognising Ho Chi-minh's "democratic republic of Vietnam." Britain's recognition of Bao Dai was in retaliation for Russia's support of Ho Chi-minh, which the Foreign

Office said was a seditious action against a member of the United Nations.

Bao Dai's position

The Russians have recognised Ho Chi-minh because they are confident he will win the civil war in Vietnam, but British officials believe Bao Dai's position is not nearly as unpromising as the Russians appear to think. Commonwealth relations officials said Bao Dai was gaining support every day. It was hoped, they said, that British recognition would not only tend to extend Western Union co-operation to opposing Communism in Asia, but also would encourage a large section of Asiatic Nationalists, who hitherto had joined with the Communists, to throw support to Bao Dai.

Particularly it was hoped that the British lead among Commonwealth members in recognising the French-sponsored regime would encourage India to follow suit. So far the Indian Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, has seen no disposition to recognise either Ho Chi-minh or Bao Dai, but British officials believe Indian recognition of Vietnam would tip the scales against Ho Chi-minh and retard Communist activity in Southern Asia.—United Press.

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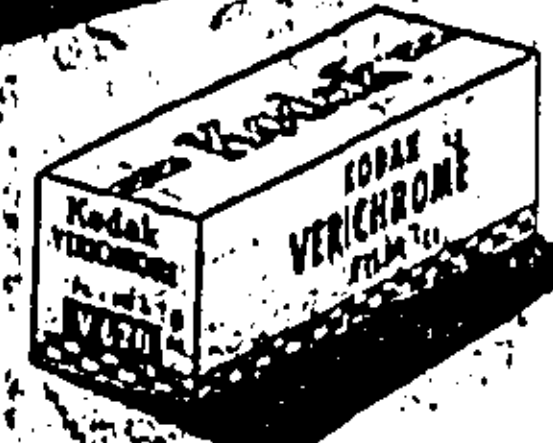
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FROM AN ELECTION NOTE BOOK

Editor's Note: — "Windrush" is keeping a diary during the election campaign. The following are some extracts from it. They will be published weekly until the election is over.

JANUARY 24.

The Labour Party manifesto mentions nowhere Britain's dependence on American dollar aid. The Tories have condemned it for dishonesty. But perhaps Labour has shown itself a more astute psychologist than the Tories.

Most people are a little ashamed of being dependent on American loans. They prefer not to think about it. It is brought to their notice, their instinctive reaction is to bridle against America. It is known in Britain that most Americans hope the Tories will win. This, in the present touchy state of the English mind, is enough to make many Englishmen vote Labour.

Have the Labour leaders worked out their propaganda on it? Or is it simply that their minds have been so much occupied with the ordinary man? If the latter, it is a good augury for their success. The best politicians are those with ordinary minds and superior abilities. That was the secret of Stanley Baldwin's success two decades ago.

JANUARY 25.

It seems that there will be 4,000,000 new voters at this election who have never voted before. This should make one suspicious of all deductions drawn from the figures of the last election.

JANUARY 26.

There is less fanaticism than in the election of 1945. Then a large part of the electorate went round chanting "Planning, planning, planning." Planning was the technique which would put all right. It was only the greedy Tory monopolists and restrictionists who had prevented it being put into force.

This time a large part of the electorate wants to think things out rationally, and they want to judge by experience as well as to support various rival ideals.

JANUARY 27.

The Press has extra paper for the election. But does it really matter? It is astonishing what a

of the term. They ran the trams but refused to take fares. It was not even a sit-down strike, or a go-slow strike.

The moral status of an out-and-out strike and of an action of this sort could afford ground for a good deal of argument. It would not necessarily be in favour of the action taken. A strike is a right, sanctioned over the years by innumerable legislative acts all over the world. The refusal of fares was a breach of faith, aggravated or palliated by the motive behind it. There are reasons why it should be argued out through legal channels, but it would be better to settle it, so to speak, out of court, if this were at all possible.

To make the award fit the straggle, Solomon might decree that the conductors must collect double fares from all passengers for the first three days of the resumed service. That would expiate their own misdeed and enable the public who travelled free to save their consciences. It would also be a contribution toward the solution of the pay problem in a more practical sense, as well as a reminder that discipline is a virtue not lightly to be disregarded.

It is not appeasement to deal fairly and even generously with one's poorer brother: it is the right and proper thing to do. Nor is it a matter of sentiment—it is good policy, and especially good policy in the environment in which private enterprise finds itself today. New standards are being applied to relations between capital and labour at home, and they are a lot better than the old ones. Hong Kong, in its peculiarly exposed position, cannot afford to have different standards.

Neither capital nor management, however prosperous now, is without its own anxieties about the future. But the cares and worries of the humble worker are always with him and are of a different order. Nor are they unconnected in any effort to look beyond the immediate horizon. This viewpoint even warrants the use of strength for a purpose as trivial and personal as a good deal for the workers may well be for the employer. A good deal for the workers may well be for the employer. A good deal for the workers may well be for the employer.

deep suspicion of the Press the public has developed. One radio speech influences it more than pages and pages of newspapers. Many of the papers will simply cause their readers to vote for the side they do not recommend.

JANUARY 28.

Statistics published today in the "Manchester Guardian" suggest that in 1945 the Liberal vote

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The curious thing about this public feeling is that it is so unfair. Really it has nothing to do with the circumstances of the moment, but results from the persistent left-wing propaganda over 20 years. How effective that propaganda was, we are only

JANUARY 29.

The Tories are really very unfortunate. So far in their election they have had two main episodes which have interested the public. One has been the controversy over Mr. Clegg and the anti-nationalistic campaigns of the business firms. The other has been the slanging match between Conservatives and Liberals over the use of the name "National Liberal" or "Liberal-Conservative" by Liberal candidates who have come to terms with Conservatives and gained their support on condition that they accept the Tory whip.

The public feels—vaguely but with conviction—that in both these episodes the Conservatives have been shown up as shabby. There they are, in league with big business, in some vague conspiracy against the people.

JANUARY 30.

A great many people genuinely do not know which way to vote. They like the idealism of the Labour Party—fair shares, full employment, cheap food, social services. They don't believe three quarters of the Conservative propaganda. But one quarter does. The Tories have set up a

double in people's minds. Where

gets a university degree. Then he can come and see us again, and we shall want him."

But there are some employers who are willing to provide the educational facilities which will

give them recruits. The Ministry of Supply are ready to help boys to university scholarships, as well as travelling scholarships, as well as helping with the training of technicians.

In fact, many of them were arranged as subtle propaganda for the Services, the Government departments, and the private enterprise firms, which are engaged in ever-increasing competition for the cream of the nation's youth.

Gray version.

If Thomas Gray were to return to write an Ode on a Distant Prospect of the Horticultural Halls he would not have to make much revision:

Alas, regardless of their doom,
The little victims play
No sense they have of ills to come,
Nor care beyond today.
Yet see how all around them wait

The ministers of human fate... or at any rate the Ministers of War, Supply, Air, the Admiralty, the National Coal Board, and a host of other potential employers from the oil companies to "Mr. Cube."

There has never been such a wide range of opportunities for boys leaving school as there is today.

But because of the increasing complexity of industrial techniques and the discovery of new forms of power and propulsion, such as atomic energy and jet engines, there has never been such a demand for intelligent boys who can acquire technical and academic qualifications.

Most of these employers say that they have no difficulty in getting the right types now. But their eyes are on the future.

Thousands of the boys who will be at the exhibition stands in the next fortnight will be the Service and industrial recruits of 1953 and onwards. It is their minds which the exhibitors are trying to capture.

And they are doing it cleverly. There is no "recruiting." They are not offering jobs or incentives—not obviously. Each is trying to cash in on the "I want to be an engine-driver" ambition in the secret heart of every boy.

"All right," say the charming men on the stands. "This is what it is like to be an engine driver, or a pilot, or a sailor, or an oil engineer, or a gunner."

"Come and get a thrill out of it now. Then go back to school and work hard at your maths, or your chemistry, or whatever it is you want—add the world is yours."

That emphasis on work is stressed throughout. The entertainment angle of the exhibition is no substitute for the personal management of an all-round child who has a stand there to-day.

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They will get it, but not necessarily in the ways they think. They are doing a service in giving background education to these young men from school. But recruiting is another matter.

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"Chou fated by Vyshinsky." It's becoming Mao and Mao is becoming Mao. It's becoming Mao and Mao is becoming Mao. It's becoming Mao and Mao is becoming Mao.

Protesting church organisations in America are apparently confusing the new Bergman film with "Birth of a Baby."

"Chinese make-up has values to attract men." Of course, the all-skirt helps too.

Kicked out. According to reports from Paris, cabaret girls have been told: no can-can do.

British recognition of Bay of Bengal is apparently definite, but suffering from a slight astigmatism.

"Farouk to marry 16-year-old." It is also pointed out that the overweight young king was at one time Chief Boy Scout of Egypt. That, of course, was before he became a Wolf.

Financial times. Boy, am I glad I wasn't hanging around Macao during the occupation!

This total disarmament conference would, if successful, be a good thing, but every member would have to be a really Truman, and there would be so much to Chou over that it would be difficult to prevent the machinery from Stalin.

Myrtle's grandfather says many a man in love with a dimple makes the mistake of marrying the whole girl.

"Soviet has Largest Supply of Amber." So now we know where all the copies have gone.

Let's majestate? Well, I'm sorry my comments yesterday about the headline use of the verb comes the latest: "Queen Mary Hit by Scientist." Sounds like a foreigner. Do hope the police got him.

"Rich family scores in Colony debut." What's so unusual about that I thought, until I discovered they were married that way.

Gunsman robbed a Baltimore college library of US\$10,000. They obviously took it for an institute of earning.

But they had no party after Enugu

By Noel Monks

At the Island Club, with its mixed European-African membership, a young Nigerian lawyer (he studied at Cambridge with Seretse Khama) said to me: "My old father has died. I'm giving a party tonight. Would you care to come?"

My surprised look made him add: "It's quite all right, old chap. In Nigeria when an elderly person dies we celebrate—help him on his way to Heaven."

Rousing send-off

It was a nice party, with almost as many Europeans present as Nigerians. The departed parent was given a rousing send-off. But it revealed chips in the paintwork of Western civilisation with which these eager, highly intelligent people have dubbed themselves.

The main impression a visitor gets is that everyone is thirsting for knowledge and bursting with keenness to acquire it.

Every African member of the Island Club—Lagos is an island—has some degree or other. They speak of England as "home," almost as naturally as any Australian or New Zealander—yet they go off happily to celebrate the death of a beloved parent or relative.

No one has celebrated the death of the Enugu miners, killed in the disturbances a month ago, because it is only the elderly who are "seen off." It is an unhappy event, indeed. It is a young person dies which is one reason why the miners' deaths have deeply shocked the Nigerians.

The matter has brought together two "warring" tribes, the Ibos and Yorubas, something the Administration has not been able to do for years.

The dead miners were Ibos, and the Yoruba leaders have joined in protest to the Government.

One thing stands out clearly: the Enugu miners' death has intensified the affection and loyalty towards Governor Sir John Macpherson. He is still about the most popular Governor the Colony has had.

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Mixed marriages.

There are some choice slurs that could be bulldozed into the ground as easily as the magnificent racetracks—right, alongside them could be turned into a housing centre.

The fortunes of Seretse Khama and his wife Ruth Williams are being closely followed. Most young professional men I've met shudder with Seretse. They wonder why the Colonial Office applies on mixed marriages in Lagos, but frowns sternly at Seretse and Ruth. 2,000 miles South.

BOAC brings Lagos within three hours of London. It's a week, which makes the 10-hour, four-day duty even like 10 years, they say.

If you want an appreciation of men and women who will make a look at the annual calendar and see what a lot of money is being made. No party for them.

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RUSSIA, SATELLITES IN U.N. WALK-OUT

Failure to unseat Nationalist delegate TSIANG'S DEMAND

Lake Success, February 7.

Russia walked out of the United Nations Economic and Social Council on Tuesday after failing to unseat the Chinese Nationalists, while Chiang Kai-shek's delegate told the Little Assembly that the Kremlin's actions call for the expulsion of the Soviet Union from the world organisation.

The 18-nation Economic and Social Council rejected by a vote of 10 to 3 with five abstentions the motion by the Russian delegate, Semyon K. Thorapkin, to "exclude the representative of the Kuomintang group from membership."

Russia, Czechoslovakia and Poland voted in favour of the motion. Britain, France, Denmark, India and Pakistan abstained. Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Iran, Mexico, Peru, and the United States voted against it.

Bidault wins confidence

Paris, February 7.

Premier Georges Bidault won an informal vote of confidence for his Socialist-led government shortly after midnight. The unofficial count was 225-185.

In a final appeal to the delegates, Mr. Bidault said, "You cannot leave France without responsible men. As long as you do not clearly decide otherwise, we will not abdicate the authority we hold from you."

The Premier's own Popular Republicans, the Radical Socialists, the Independent Republicans and the Socialist Union supported the government. The Communists and their affiliates voted against it.

The Socialists and the extreme rightist groups abstained.

After Premier Bidault's brief call for confidence the Assembly took a recess for party huddles. The roll call began at five minutes before 1 p.m. Although the vote fell far short of an absolute majority this was not a formal confidence vote and Premier Bidault's margin of 40 was enough to prolong the life of his cabinet despite the absence of the Socialists from the middle of the road coalition.

Pale, harassed

Pale and harassed by night-long political conferences and the resurgence of strikes by Communist-led unions, Premier Bidault appeared before the Assembly this afternoon to ask for support.

Communist leader Jacques Duclos followed Premier Bidault to the rostrum and threw the Assembly into a turmoil by accusing the government of carrying out a "filthy, rotten policy in Indochina." French troops are aiding the forces of the Indo-Chinese Government of Vietnam in a guerrilla war against Communist-led Vietnam forces—an action which has long been opposed by the French Reds.

Communist port unions tried today to promote a labour boycott of ships loading supplies for Indo-China. The Communist-led Gas and Electric Workers walked off the job in Paris and other places, depriving many districts in the capital and wide areas of Communist-infested Northern France of service.—United Press.

Mr. Attlee formally nominated

London, February 7.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, wearing a large red and yellow rosette in his lapel, called at the Westminster town hall today and was formally nominated a candidate in the next Parliament.

While news cameras filmed the scene, Mr. Attlee peeled off 30 five-pound notes to put up the £150 deposit required of all candidates. This candidate fails to poll one-tenth of the votes cast.

Mr. Attlee arrived at the town hall in a car driven by Mrs. Attlee and was introduced there to the Labour Party candidate for Westminster-East, Mr. Walter Edwards, who "chanted" in his nomination papers at the same time. Mr. Attlee's constituency is Westminster-West.

Mr. Attlee will be involved in a "four-corner" fight between Westminster-East, Westminster-West, Westminster-South, and Westminster-North. He is expected to win.

Controversy over Ingrid's "Stromboli"

Hollywood, February 7.

American newspapers, cinema chains and churches were today taking sides with increasing vigour over the move to ban films starring Ingrid Bergman, and particularly the Bergman-Rosellini production "Stromboli."

All that the RKO Studio here would say was: "We are pretty busy getting ready to release the picture."

An Indiana theatre chain has decided not to screen "Stromboli," declaring that exhibitors should refuse to show pictures starring persons that bring discredit to the film business.

The Ministerial Alliance of Albuquerque, New Mexico, has decided to ban the film because of the glamorizing and sensationalizing of adultery.—Reuter.

Leaders of Kremlin bent on war

New York, February 7.

The leaders of the Kremlin are bent on eventual war with the West, if they can get away with it, says an American reporter who recently left Moscow.

But Edmund Stevens, back from a three-year assignment as correspondent for the "Christian Science Monitor" in Russia, says he is convinced today more than ever that the world's future depends on understanding between the United States and the Soviet Union.

Soviet aims and policies have, since the war, become plain for all to see—expansion through superimposing the Communist system, Stevens writes.

But the foremost question today is this: Do the Soviet leaders, who have an atom bomb now, want war?

The answer, Stevens says, is "no—and yes." For the immediate future, he said, the answer is no. But in the long view, with the shifting of world power in the Kremlin's favour, the answer is yes. The Communist leaders always have predicted the inevitable bloody clash of Capitalism and Communism.

Margin of hope

Stevens says the Kremlin leaders want to avoid war now while preparing militarily and economically and while running calculated war risks such as the Berlin blockade. But he adds that there is a margin of hope for peace in the realization by the Kremlin that it would be difficult to sell the Soviet people on a war of aggression.

To beat Soviet propaganda, Stevens writes, "the West must put its own economic house in order. While avoiding outright appeasement, it must explore every possibility for genuine agreement. The West, he says, should miss no opportunity to go over the heads of the Soviet leaders, directly to the Russian people. The Voice of America has made a splendid beginning along these lines, as indicated by the broadcasts, he says, adding: "Even today, what filters through the wall of interference is a far more powerful weapon than the atom bomb—a weapon

Fuchs betrayed secrets through regular contacts

Washington, February 7.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation was reported today to have evidence that the British scientist, Klaus Fuchs, betrayed United States atomic secrets through regular contacts with Russian espionage agents operating in the United States and Britain.

The report came from Senators who heard the FBI chief, J. Edgar Hoover, testify at a closed session of the Senate Appropriations sub-Committee.

Mr. Hoover was quoted as saying that Fuchs contacted Russian agents in Britain on a regular twice-a-month schedule over a protracted period of time and also transmitted information to Soviet agents in the United States, but on far fewer occasions than in Britain. He was also said to have received cash payments from the Russians for his services.

Mr. Hoover himself refused to discuss any phase of the case when he left the Committee hearing, which nominally was concerned with the FBI budget. Senators who heard his testimony were left with the impression that many phases of the sensational spy case remained to be unfolded both here and in London and that Mr. Hoover feared that premature publicity might hamper his agents.

Secrecy ban

The Senators said the FBI had been unable to obtain a full copy of Fuchs' reported confession because the British authorities had imposed a strict secrecy ban on the case pending trial. Mr. Hoover did not identify the Russian agents Fuchs was alleged to have worked with, but he pointed out that Russia and the Communist satellite nations had large numbers of official representatives in the United States with diplomatic status.

He said the FBI hoped to make a full report to the American public once the case was closed, but could not give out details now for fear of jeopardising its investigation.

The Senators said some aspects of the British prosecution of Fuchs might require the taking of evidence from persons now living in Canada. There was no elaboration of this.

(Senator George Malone asserted in a statement that loose administration procedure was responsible for Fuchs being allowed to get at vital American secrets. He said that, during the war, we carelessly shared with an ally secrets of the atom and hydrogen bombs with no control over the security measures of that ally. He presumably meant Britain.)

Extradition asked

Senator Homer Ferguson told a reporter that he had appealed to the Attorney General, Howard McGrath, to ask for Fuchs' extradition for trial as a spy before an American court that could impose the death penalty. Senator Ferguson noted that British courts could impose only 14 years in prison

for the crimes charged against Fuchs, whereas American law provides the death penalty for atomic spying.

"This matter is so serious that, if Fuchs is found guilty, he should be executed," said Senator Ferguson. "That is the only effective way to make clear that atomic espionage will not be tolerated."

The Canadian External Affairs Department today advised that Dr. Klaus Fuchs was not implicated in any way in the 1946 investigation of spy activities in Canada.

The Department said the Royal Commission on espionage found "no evidence that would include the name of Fuchs, nor has he been associated with the Canadian atomic energy project."

United Press.

Drought in Argentina

Buenos Aires, February 7.

A severe drought is burning up Argentina's maize and sunflower crops and cattle pastures. Farmers fear that there may not even be enough maize for home needs.

Cattle have started to die in the dried-up pastures in the South of Corrientes Province, where there is a total lack of water, according to reports tonight.

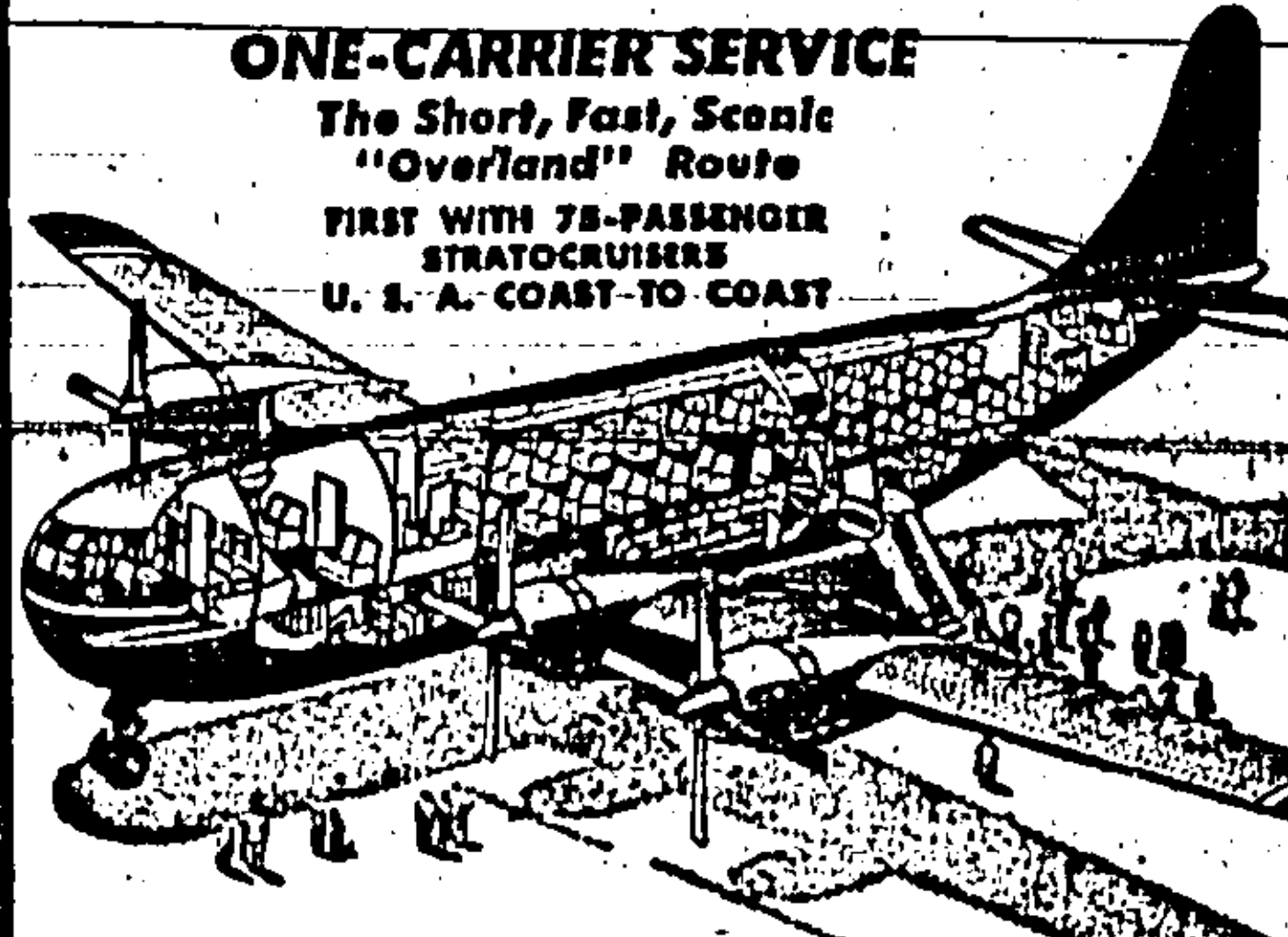
"Only immediate and abundant rains can save the situation," these reports said.

A Ministry of Agriculture report issued today said that the condition of the vital maize crop, described in many quarters as almost a total loss, was growing "progressively worse."

The Confederation of Rural Associations in the Provinces of La Pampa and Buenos Aires has asked the President General Juan Peron, to think first of home needs before exporting grain.—Reuter.

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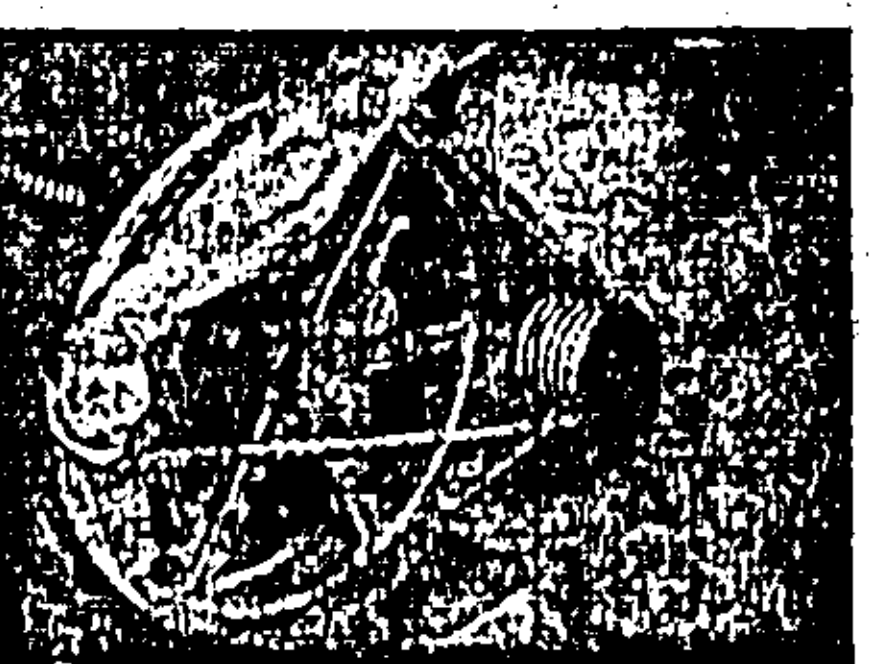
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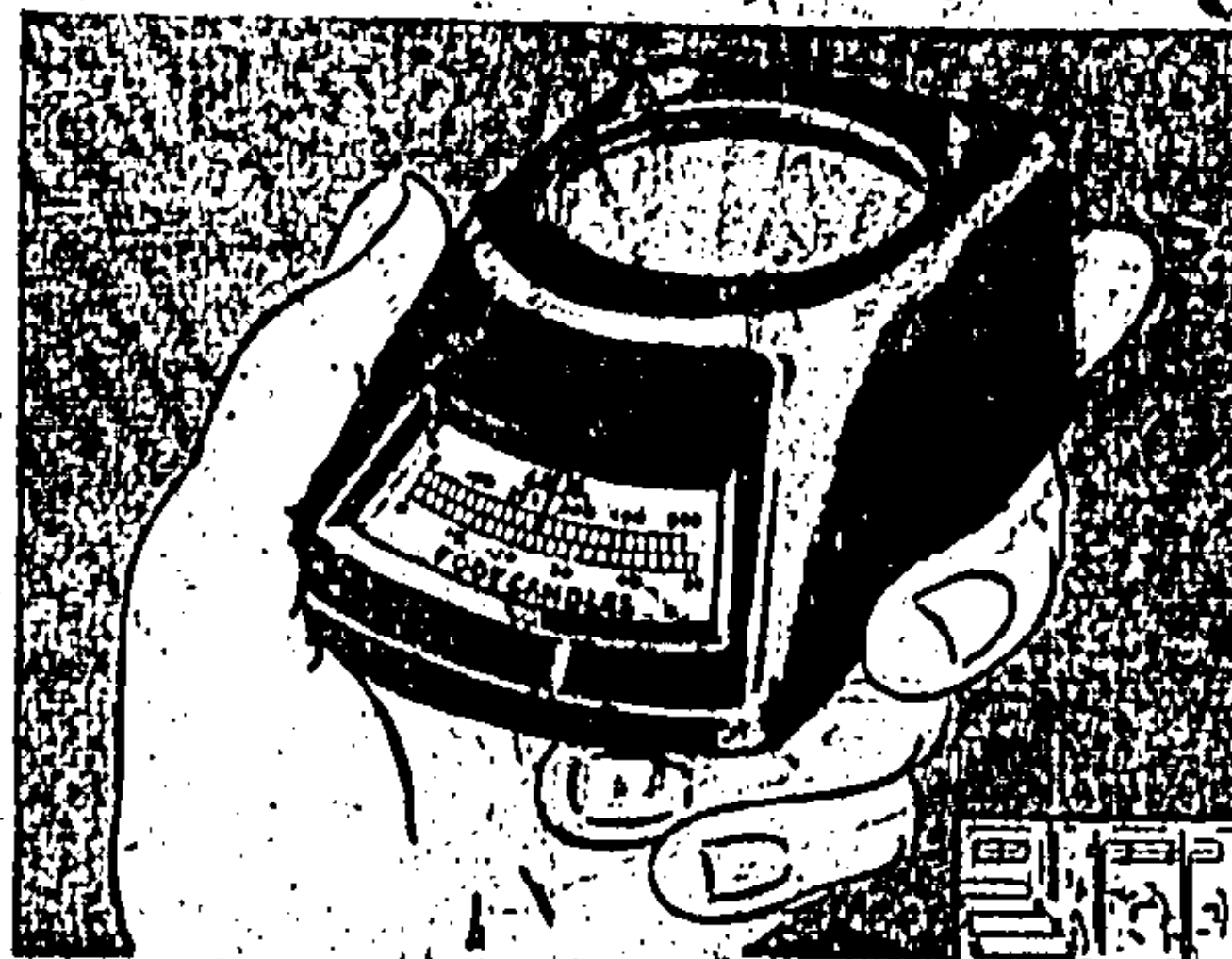
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Lighting for Commons

When daylight fades in the new House of Commons, artificial lighting will be introduced as discreetly as possible to avoid distracting Members addressing the House.

In equipping the new Chamber, which is now rapidly nearing completion, it was decided to use the best in modern lighting technique employing Osram cold cathode fluorescent lamps, but a problem arose in devising means of controlling the light output of these lamps from zero to full brightness.

In collaboration with the architect, Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, O.M., R.A., and the Consulting Engineers, Dr. Oscar Faber and Partners, the Illuminating Engineers and the Research Laboratories of The General Electric Company Ltd., of England have produced a scheme which meets these requirements, and which is believed to be the first of its kind.

The architect has designed his ceiling in the form of 150 panels with carved oak framing for the ceiling lights, and this is a noteworthy example of craftsmanship, for in daylight it is seen as an architectural feature of great beauty with no suggestion of being the framework of a lighting system.

Behind each of the ceiling panels of the Chamber is a spiral cathode Osram fluorescent lamp, the complete installation being operated by a new type of control gear which enables the general lighting to be increased or reduced to any level between zero and full brightness at the direction of the Speaker. It is estimated that the cold cathode units will not need replacing for 10 years.

The Under-Gallery and window sill lighting in the Chamber is from Osram hot cathode fluorescent lamps which will be controlled in a similar manner to the ceiling lights. The effect of the whole scheme when at its full brilliance will be to bathe the Chamber in a mellow sunny light.

The G.E.C. of England will also be responsible for the decorative fittings to be installed in the remainder of the House of Commons, namely, Ministers' Rooms, Committee Rooms, Lobbies and Corridors.

By arrangement with the architect and consulting engineers, and in order to hasten completion of the work within the time required, part of this work will be undertaken in co-operation with Osler and Faraday Ltd. and Smith & Ansell Ltd.

The whole of the electrical installation will be carried out by Troughton & Young Ltd.

The General Electric Co. Ltd. of England is represented in Hong Kong by the British General Electric Co. Ltd., Queen's Building.

New de-rusting process in HK



A part of the equipment at the new Derustit plant operating at Ma Tau Ching, Kowloon. "China Mail" photo.

De-rusting by electrolytic action done here

The merits of a process which enables rust and other forms of corrosion to be removed without interference with the sound metal beneath and without the need for dismantling in the case of mechanical components, are too obvious to need stressing.

A process which achieves these results has been developed since the war, following a series of unsuccessful war-time experiments.

The initial experiments were carried out in the early days of the war, when an experimental plant was installed by Modern Machine Tools Ltd., of Coventry, under the auspices of the Ministry of Supply, with the object of salvaging valuable machine tools and other manufacturing plant which had been damaged by water and exposure as the result of enemy action. After many months of painstaking experiments, the secret of successful operation of the plant still remained to be discovered and further work on the subject was abandoned.

Following the cessation of hostilities, Modern Machine Tools Ltd. resumed experimental work and finally successful results were obtained. More research work followed, and development was continued by an associate company, Derustit Ltd., of 47, Victoria Street, London, S.W.1, which has installed plants in various parts of England. Negotiations are also going ahead in India and Australia.

As already indicated, the process is electrolytic in principle, and consists of immersing the articles to be treated in an alkaline bath and passing a low-voltage current through them, on much the same lines as are followed by plating.

Opposite effect

In this case, however, passage of the electric current has just the opposite effect, and instead of a deposit being produced on the articles treated, the result is to loosen any deposit already on the metal and bring it away from the surface.

The chemical composition of the alkaline solution is, of course, a trade secret, but it is harmless and is claimed to be non-injurious to operators of the plant.

Two very important advantages over mechanical systems of removing rust and corrosion are that no sound metal is attacked, and that complete mechanical assemblies or machines can be treated without need for dismantling.

The former advantage is of great benefit in that, apart from any surface rust which has already rusted or corroded, there is no reduction in the dimensions of articles treated as happens when abrasive action is employed; moreover, in the case of a surface which has become pitted but is otherwise sound, the electrolytic process will remove all traces of corrosion from the base of the pitting without interfering with the sound surrounding surface.

So far as the treatment of components is concerned, the advantage of the system is twofold. In the first place, it avoids the damage which is sometimes inevitable in dismantling badly rusted parts, and in the second place, it reduces labour costs to a very marked degree, especially where intricate mechanisms are concerned.

Excellent example

An excellent example of this latter point was provided by a number of calculating mechanism mechanisms which were being treated at the time of the above-mentioned plant in the early days of the war. As a result of the electrolytic action, the rust was removed and the mechanisms were restored to their original condition.

Chemicals to aid farmers

American agriculture learned of two major developments of great importance to its future at a meeting of the North Central Weed Control Conference.

One is a plan of the U. S. Agriculture Department to establish a new weed division. The other is the development of five new chemicals which experts say will open up a new field of weed control.

Plant experts from 14 states and four Canadian provinces attended the three-day meeting of the conference, one of four in the United States. Represented were the four branches of weed-fighting—research, education, regulation and industry. It has been estimated weeds are responsible for an annual reduction in American farm production of 10 per cent. Their damage is exceeded only by that of soil erosion.

New division planned

Dr. R. M. Sailer, chief of the bureau of plant industry at Beltsville, Maryland, announced plans for a new weed division. Sailer said the need for the division emphasizes the progress made in weed control in recent years.

The progress has been so great, he said, that the job now can be handled best by a national agency co-ordinating all work on weed control.

Sailer said he will appoint Dr. Roy Lowery of North Carolina Agricultural College to head the new weed division.

The five new chemicals are selective herbicides. That is, they select their prey and leave other plants unharmed. Dr. L. M. Stahler of South Dakota Agricultural College, who announced their development, said the time is coming when specific chemicals will be used on weeds in each particular crop. The new chemicals are a step in that direction, he said.

The chemicals, which have highly technical names, are not yet ready for market because of a need for further experimentation, but Stahler said when they do go on sale, it will be at a relatively low cost to the farmer. Smaller quantities will be needed per acre than are needed with chemicals now in use.

Speakers at the conference emphasized one major theme: the need for more uniform weed control laws among the various states. They cautioned farmers not to be led astray by the spectacular developments in chemical warfare on plants, such as the war-time development of 2,4-D, at the cost of regular good farming practices.

Proper cultivation, they said in effect, is the base on which weed control rests.

been said to indicate its very wide scope both in salvage and manufacture. Derustit (Hong Kong) Ltd., will be pleased to deal with any inquiries regarding particular applications.

Companies have been formed in many parts of Great Britain, and overseas territories are already represented by Canadian, South African and Swedish organizations, as well as a French subsidiary, which has granted licences for operating of the process in most European countries.

The latest addition to the "Derustit" companies is Derustit (Hong Kong) Ltd., a company formed in 1948 with an authorized capital of HK\$500,000. This company acquired the rights to operate the process and have installed the most up-to-date de-rusting plant in existence in their premises at Ma Tau Chung.



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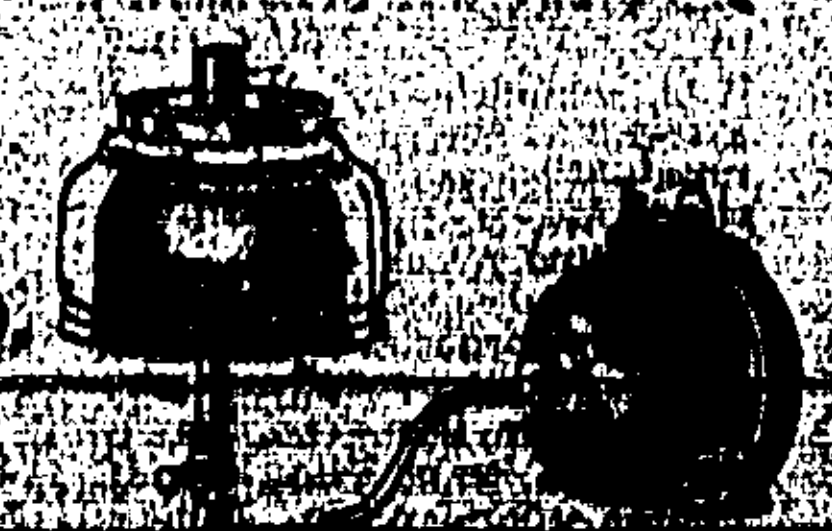
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Jap steel strike spreading

Tokyo, February 8. Growing concern was expressed by SCAP labour officials over strikes of Japanese steelworkers which began on February 2 and was spreading today.

Efforts to steer the dispute into calm waters met with little success. A union spokesman declined to refer it to the Central Labour Relations Board and sought instead to renew negotiations on wage demands with the management, but refused to resume work during negotiations, and the management's insistence on this point, left the matter at sea.

Originally 1,000 workers walked out of two blast furnaces and two coke plants of the Yamatai steel mill on Kyushu. The plant is the largest of six operated by the company. There are 35,000 employees in all. The Steelworkers' Federation has 50,000 members.

Strike spreads

The strike spread to Northern Japan today. Workers at the second largest plant, the Watanabe, at Muroran on Hokkaido, voted Monday in favour of a 24-hour walkout from noon today until noon tomorrow. Of the 7,959 workers, 6,516 cast ballots, with 5,164 for and 1,239 against a walkout.

In Tokyo, 630 workers at the head office adopted what labour observers called "dispute tactics" such as reducing output by leaving the job early. About 6,500 workers at the Kawasaki plant in Ibaragi prefecture were to join the strike movement tomorrow.

No interruption of operations has occurred at the company's other two plants, one of which has 2,400 and the other only 334 workers.

The union insists on higher wages and a collective bargaining agreement. Management instituted an "incentive wage system" last November without first discussing the plan with the union. Associated Press.

Soft coal strike cuts U.S. reserves

New York, February 7. The soft coal strike cut deeper into the nation's coal reserves today, but telephone workers agreed to postpone a coast-to-coast walk-out for 13 days.

The telephone strike had been planned to start tomorrow morning, but, at the request of the Federal Mediation Director, Cyrus Ching, the CIO Communications Workers put off the deadline to February 24.

The walk-out could involve 100,000 workers and disrupt the nation's communications network.

The fact-finding board appointed by President Truman under the Taft-Hartley law took over the coal controversy, but about 400,000 soft coal miners continued to strike, apparently determined to sit out the government's attempts to get them into the pits.

New York Central cut 45 more steam trains from schedules and Republic Steel Company bankers two blast furnaces in Cleveland because of dwindling coal supplies. United Press.

Jap wife, child allowed U.S. entry

Washington, February 7. Permission for the Japanese child and wife of a Detroit, Michigan, Army veteran to enter the United States is granted in a bill passed by the House yesterday. The bill now goes to the Senate.

William Henry, the veteran, was stationed in Japan in 1947 when he met Miss Akiko Hiroya. A committee report said Henry sought to marry Miss Hiroya and was recognized as her husband by her parents, but that Army authorities refused to let the wedding proceed.

After Henry returned to his country, the child, Masahito Hiroya, was born. The report said Henry and Hiroya were married in Japan without benefit of a license. The bill was introduced by Representative Hubert Humphrey. Associated Press.

Lake Success, February 7. India today accused Pakistan of naked aggression in Kashmir and rejected plans for a settlement of the two-year-old dispute between the Dominions.

The "peace" proposals were put to the United Nations Security Council by General A. G. L. MacNaughton, of Canada, who reported today that he did not believe that anything more he did would serve any useful purpose.

The report, presented in General MacNaughton's absence by the President of the Council, Mr. Carlos Blanco, of Cuba, gave the Indian and Pakistan replies to the General's demilitarization proposal just over a month ago, amendments suggested by each Government to the proposals, comments of the other Government on them and General MacNaughton's remarks.

Speaking today after the General's report, Sir Benegal Rau, of India, rejected the plans because they would eliminate or neutralise every one of the assurances relied upon by India.

Sir Benegal devoted most of his 75-minute speech to "clearing up certain persistent misconceptions that have prevented India's case from being properly appreciated."

He said that beginning with her initially denied military intervention in Kashmir, Pakistan had placed a series of obstacles in the path of a plebiscite.

He asked the Council to study who created each succeeding obstacle and added, "And yet, in this topsy turvy world, it is India that is constantly accused of 'stalling' in delaying the plebiscite."

Three weeks ago Sir Mohammad Zafarullah Khan, Pakistan Foreign Minister, told General MacNaughton that his Government thought that India's amendments to the "peace" plan proposals were "a clear rejection of your proposals."

The dispute between the sister Dominions flared up in October, 1947, when the Maharajah of Kashmir, Hindu ruler of a predominantly Moslem people, acceded to India.

In the report Pakistan, in its reply dated December 28, commiserated "acceptance" of the proposals "subject to amendments" which, it claimed, "were suggested to bring out more clearly the objective you (General MacNaughton) have in view."

Pakistan suggested seven amendments in all, on three of which (when the amendments were later compared) between India and Pakistan India "reserved its position" while rejecting all except one of the remaining.

By one amendment, Pakistan agreed to give unconditional assurances to curb any "future tribal" incursions into Jammu and Kashmir, but not to the Government of India as had been suggested by the MacNaughton proposals. The amendment, it said, was to be given to whom the assurance was to be given.

Clarification wanted

Another Pakistan amendment wanted it clarified that the solution of the Kashmir question should be "in accord with the UNCIP resolutions of August 13, 1948 and January 5, 1949" by the Security Council.

General MacNaughton explained that his proposal had been inspired by two main considerations, namely, that any measure of agreement already achieved between India and Pakistan should not be discarded and, secondly, that he should concentrate on appropriate arrangements for the future rather than pronounce judgment on the controversial issues of the dispute. —Reuter.

U.S. Senator blasts U.K. Government

Washington, February 7. Republican Senator Homer Capehart charged on the Senate floor today that American taxpayers' money was "supporting the present government" in England.

Attacking policies of the Democratic Party, Senator Capehart said "pressure groups" were stealing that Party, adding, "We will wake up some day without the Democratic Party."

He charged that there was an international conspiracy to socialise Americans and asserted that Socialists gave the people a redistribution of poverty.

"They don't raise the standard of living," he declared. "The English Government would have fallen long ago without the support of the United States."



The frozen canals in Holland give the Dutch an opportunity of touring Holland on a pair of ice skates. Thousands of people attend the races and ice-sports meetings. This photo shows a "mills race" near Leyden, in which the course is from windmill to windmill along the canals, during the recent cold weather. (AP Photo).

Tsingtao heavily guarded by guns

By WAYNE RICHARDSON

Tokyo, February 7.

The Chinese Nationalist Navy will have a hard time blockading Communist Tsingtao effectively. That North China port is heavily guarded by large guns.

This is apparent from my visit to the port which once served as a U.S. naval base.

The Communists have many gun emplacements around Tsingtao. They studied the numerous islands fronting Tsingtao's extensive harbour. They are planted on islands which extend well out to sea.

I reached Tsingtao aboard the ship Flying Arrow after Nationalist shells damaged it and forced it to abandon an attempt to run the blockade into Communist Shanghai.

The Flying Arrow was escorted from the North of the Yangtze River to within eight miles of Tsingtao by a U.S. destroyer. No Nationalist warship was encountered during the 350-mile trip.

To blockade Tsingtao, the Nationalists must intercept vessels at a point beyond the range of Communist shore batteries. That would require quite a few warships.

It also might involve interception on the high seas, where the U.S. Navy is pledged to protect American ships.

During the first four days we were at anchorages off Tsingtao, I observed the arrival of four small ships and the departure of a similar number.

One waterfront observer said the ships come and go in all directions. He added that this would cause a wide dispersal of any naval force attempting to blockade.

Explanation

Reports from Hong Kong that the British merchant ship Elsie Moller had run the Nationalist

Washington, February 2. President Truman told a news conference today that the Government is considering plans for improving the Alaskan defences. —United Press.

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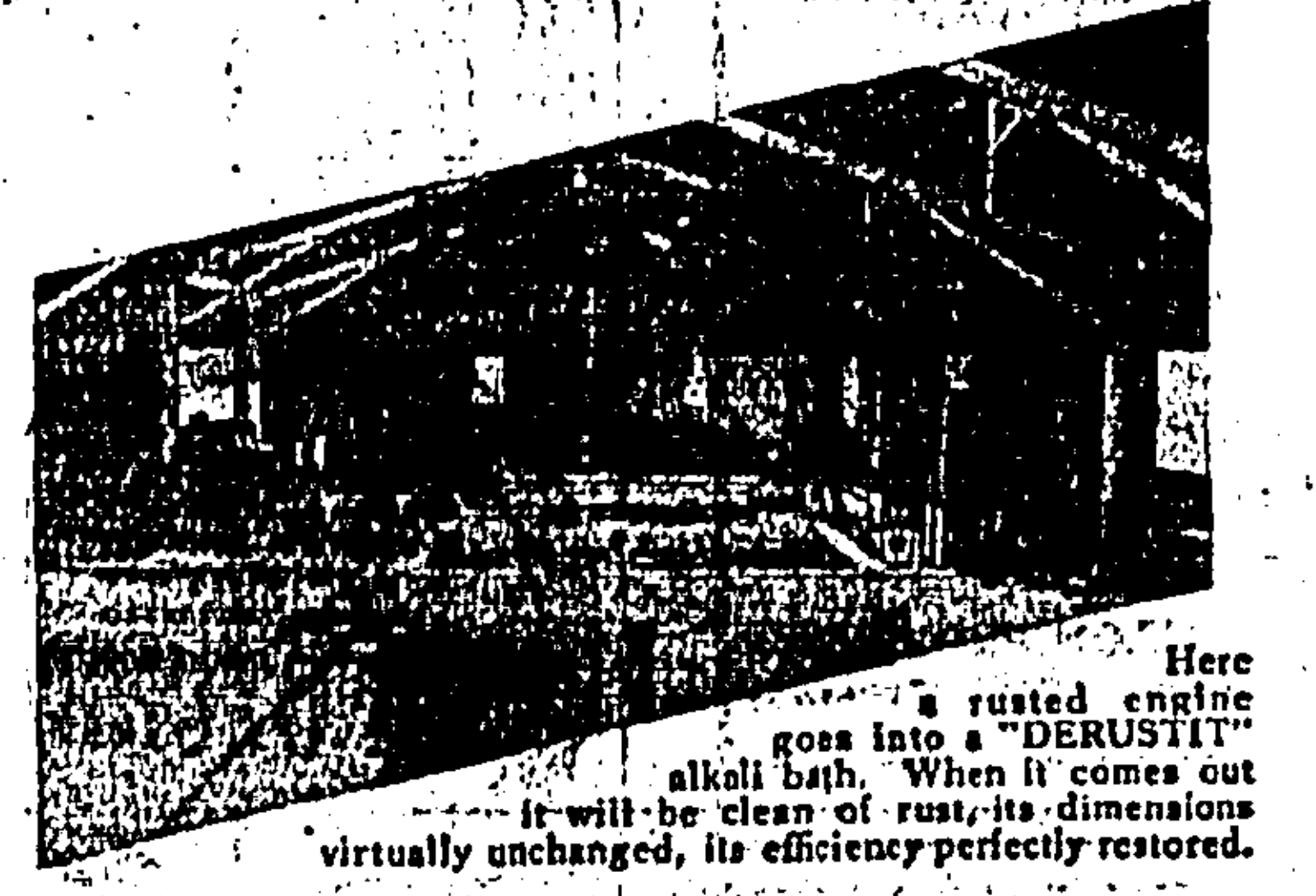
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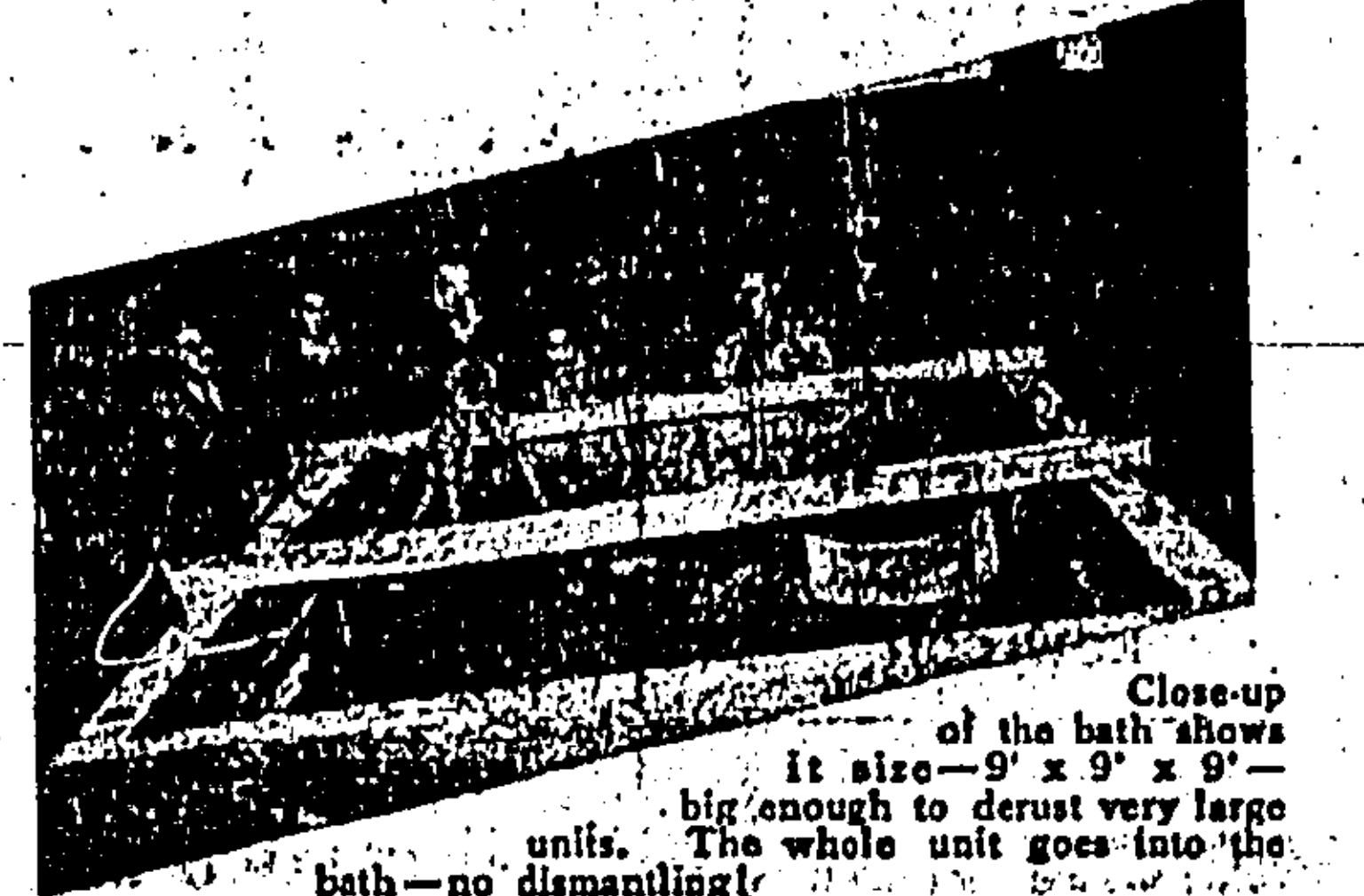


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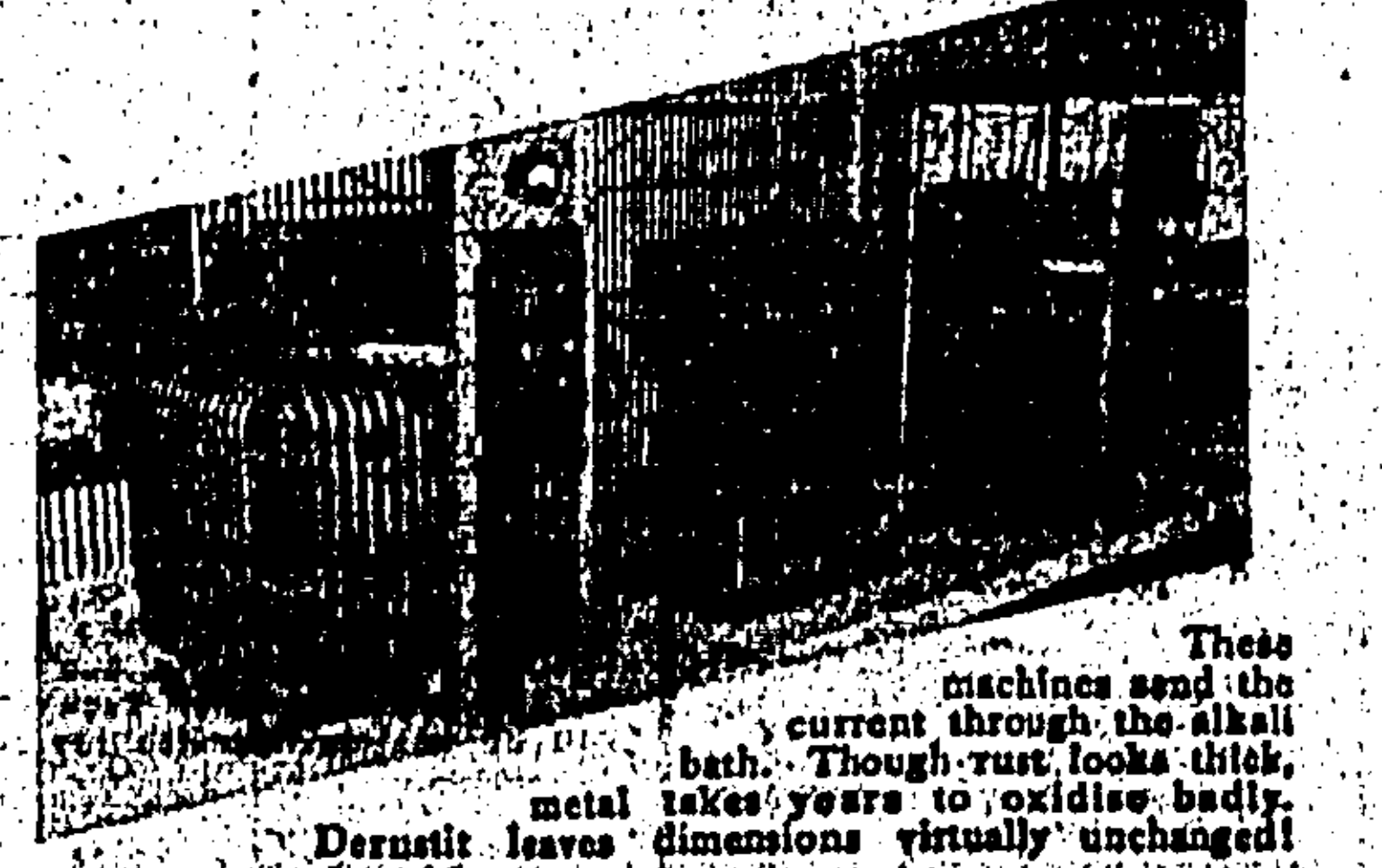
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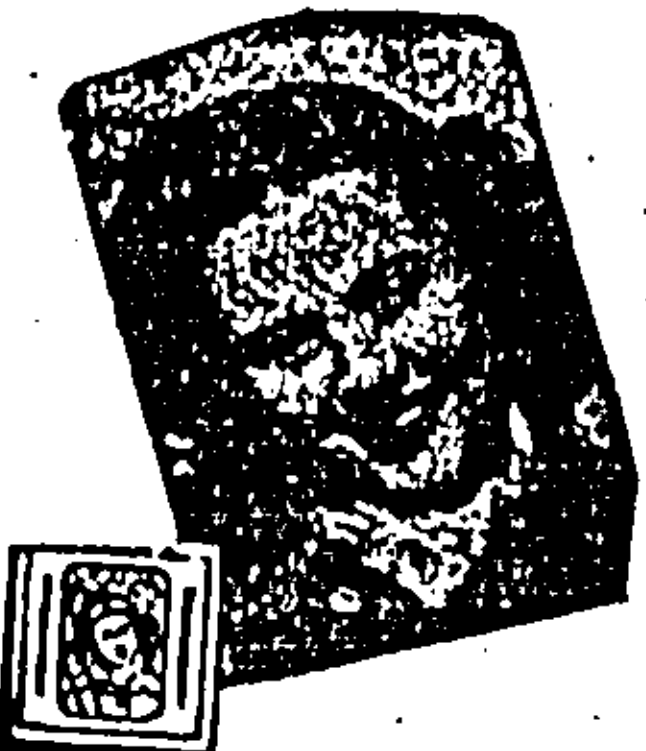
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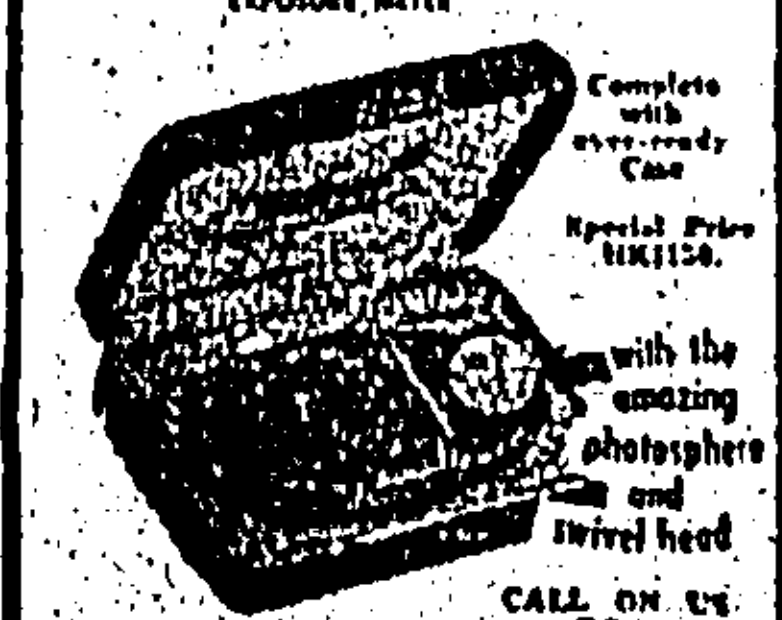
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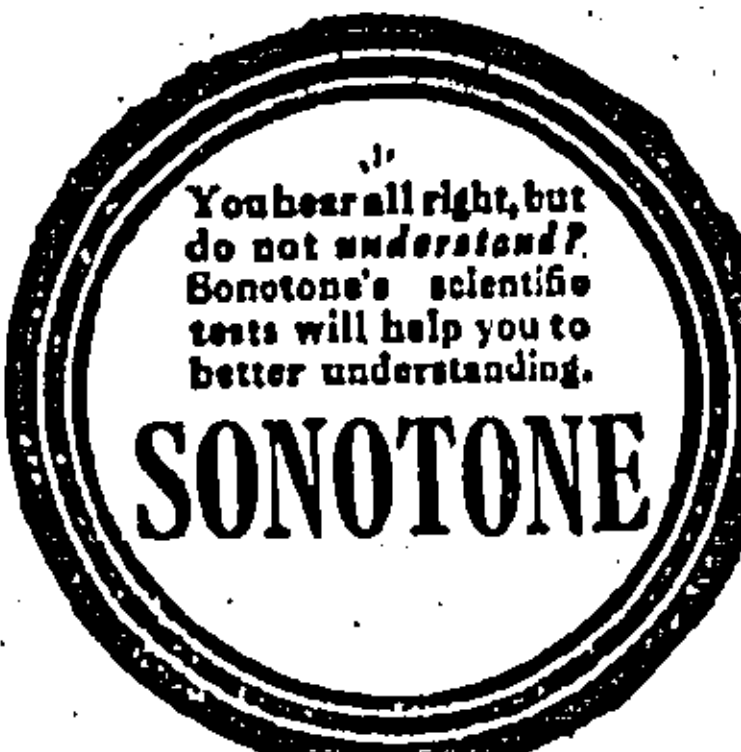
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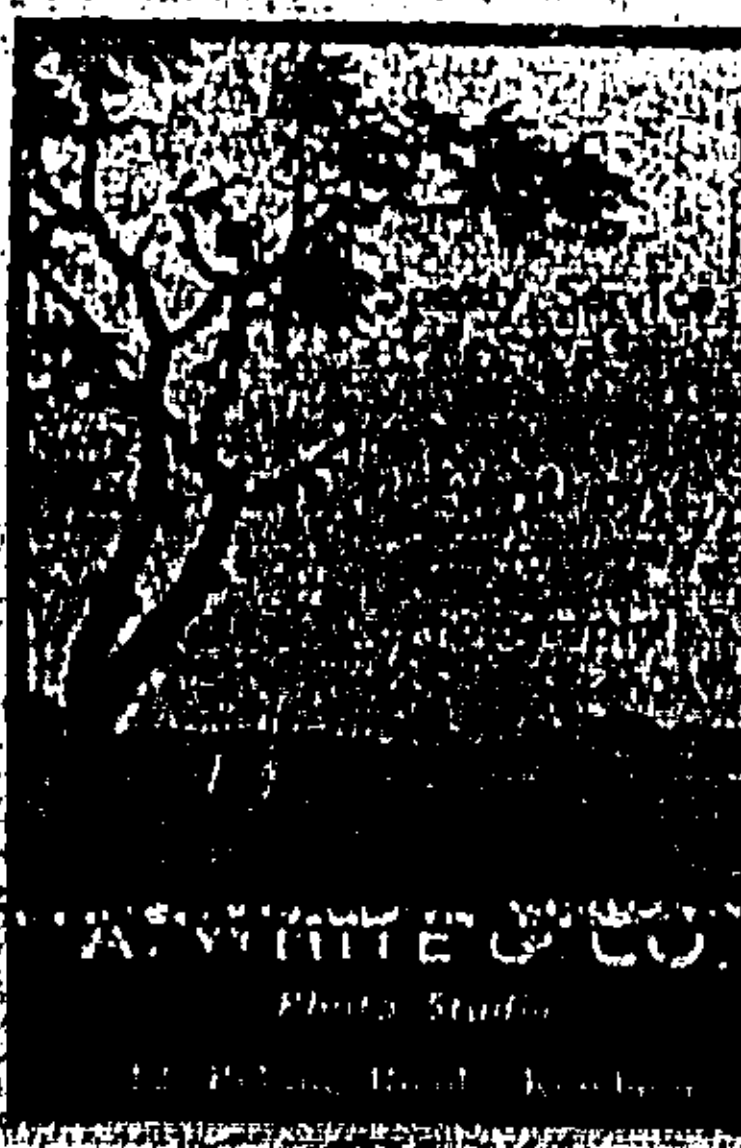
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Mr. Bevin in Cairo



The British Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin (left) jokes with the Egyptian Premier, Mustafa el Nahas Pasha, after a meeting during Mr. Bevin's courtesy visit to Cairo while on route home from the Colombo Commonwealth Conference. Nahas said later that they discussed political questions in general, in particular questions related to the international situation. (Associated Press Photo).

Quiet talks on Cyrenaican treaty

London, February 7.

Informed sources reported last night that British officials in North Africa are quietly discussing a treaty of defence and friendship with independence-seeking Cyrenaican leaders.

The idea was said to be that Britain wants to build up a relationship with Cyrenaica similar to the one she has with Hashemite-Jordan, the virile Arab state neighbouring Israel.

Under her pact with King Abdullah, Britain has the right to keep troops in Jordan and to maintain air bases there. A similar arrangement with Cyrenaica seems to envisage Britain developing a naval base at one of Cyrenaica's war-famed Mediterranean ports—Benghazi or Tobruk. In addition, she would be allowed to keep her RAF base at Al Ajlun, which has become an important link in her chain of Mediterranean air bases.

A Foreign Office spokesman refused to comment on the report. He did, however, confirm that British officials in Cyrenaica are in touch with local leaders on matters involving the future Anglo-Cyrenaican co-operation. Britain last September gave the former Italian colony modified internal autonomy. She also empowered Amir Sayed Mohamed Idris El Senussi to set up a Constitution, and she promised to lead the strategic North African Arab territory to still greater freedom.

UN control

Since then, however, Cyrenaica, together with Tripolitania and the Fezzan, have come under the formal control of the United Nations Commission for Libya.

Reports have been circulating widely in the Press of Tripolitania that an Anglo-Cyrenaican treaty is being prepared.

The dispatch added that the UN Commissioner for Libya, Adrian Pelt, was moved by these reports to reaffirm officially yesterday that only a national assembly of Libya could choose the form of the United territory's future government.—Associated Press.

"Mighty Mo's" skipper steps down

Norfolk, Virginia,
February 7.

The skipper who ran the battleship, Missouri, on a mud-bank was relieved of his command today at least temporarily.

Admiral William M. Fechteler, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic Fleet, said that Missouri's former skipper, Captain H. Page Smith, would take over the Navy's only active battleship again for the time being and at least until legal proceedings are completed.

Captain William D. Brown, who was taking the Missouri out on her first cruise under his command, faces a four-member board of inquiry which seeks to place the blame for the Missouri's humiliating 16-day stay on mud-banks.

The Fleet announcement said, "It is fair and proper that the commanding officer, navigator and other officers defending themselves should not have the additional burden of responsibility of the ship during the present legal proceedings."—United Press.

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FAILURE TO REACH VOTE ON KOREAN AID BILL

Washington, February 7.

The House debated for three hours but failed to reach a final vote today on the bill to provide \$60,000,000 economic aid to Korea and extend the deadline for spending already appropriated money in Taiwan.

A general debate on the measure was concluded but consideration of amendments and a final vote must wait until Thursday. The vote was deferred because a number of Democrats were to appear on a television show in New York tonight and had to leave Washington early.

Representative John Vorys, who led the opposition when the bill was defeated earlier, told the House that he intended to vote for the new measure although he still believed it was "strictly rat-hole money."

He said the bill was "strictly rat-hole money" because of the inclusion of Taiwan aid since "the continuation of friendly Chinese control of Taiwan is very important to our security. With this bill the administration's command can implement anti-Communist resistance while they are making up their minds on Far Eastern policy."

John Kee, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, told the House that the South Korean Republic has the power and ability to defend itself against an invasion from the North.

Representative Vito Marcantonio said that United States help

failed to save the Chiang government on the China mainland "because the people of China were determined to throw off the shackles of foreign control and exploitation."

Representative M. E. Durkin said the Korean military position was decidedly sound unless Russia throws her whole military force against it and "we must conduct ourselves to prevent an outbreak of war."

He said this bill would help prevent it.

Representative William Lemke said, "The only real friends we have in the world are the Japanese, Filipinos and Koreans."

He said there is no reason to desert Korea whom we have moral and legal obligation to support."

Representative Frederick Cour-

points up the inherent weakness of the announced policy of containment of Communism. As soon as we plug one hole pressure is brought to bear elsewhere."

More military aid

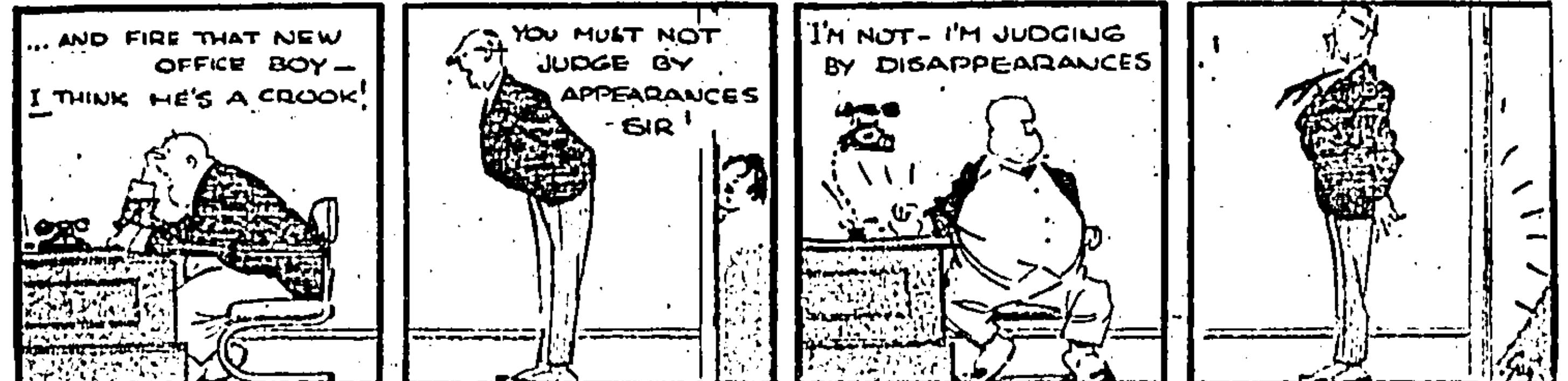
Meanwhile, informed sources said today that Korean officials expect to secure additional United States military assistance beyond their \$11,000,000 share of the American military assistance programme. The Congress allotted \$27,000,000 for military aid to the Republic of South Korea, the Philippines and Iran.

Officials said the tentative allocation would give \$11,000,000 of this sum to Korea, about \$8,000,000 to Iran and about \$7,000,000 to the Philippines.

Korea was expected to have a large proportion of the sum, but it was felt that her situation is more perilous than that of the other two countries. However, the Korean officials feel that they will need more military aid from the United States. For that reason, they applied for certain items of surplus from United States military stocks suggesting that these could be given to Korea under some form of credit such as granted in the past to countries such as Thailand and Iran.

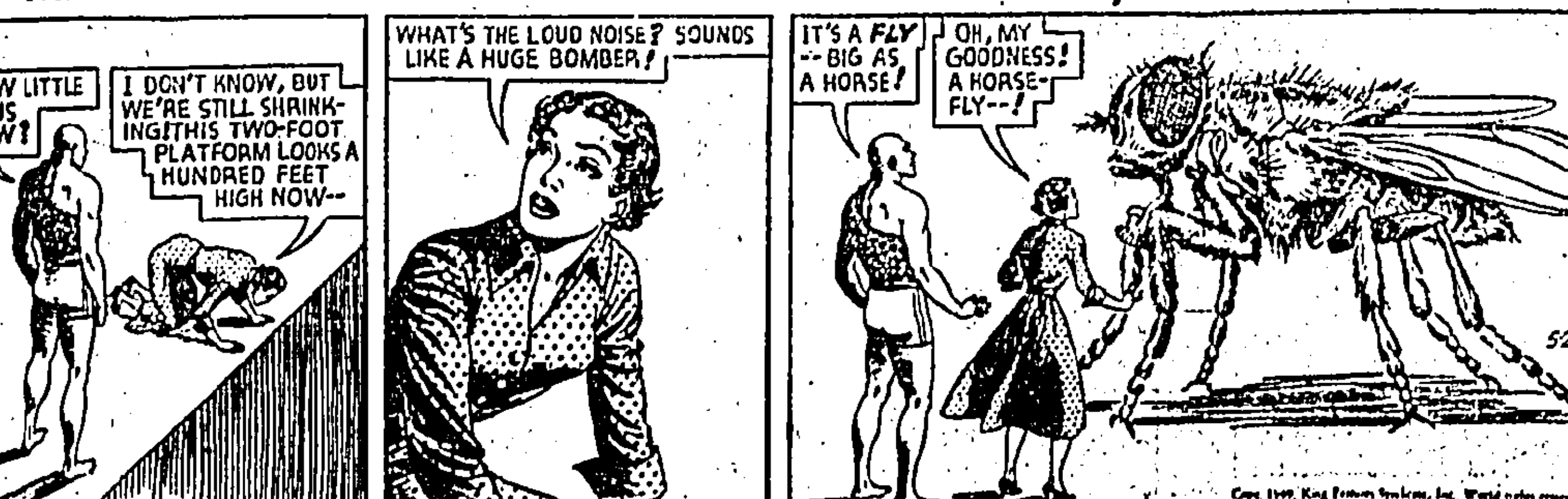
It was not known whether this appeal will meet with complete success but Korean officials appear to be optimistic.—United Press.

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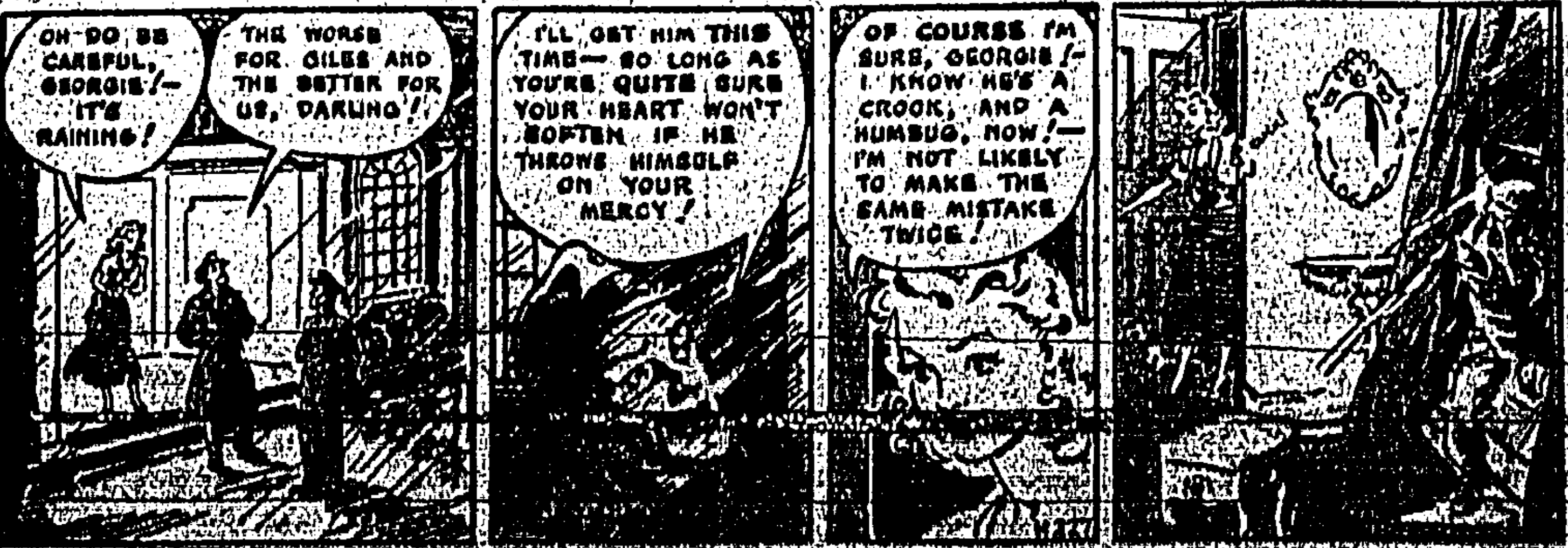


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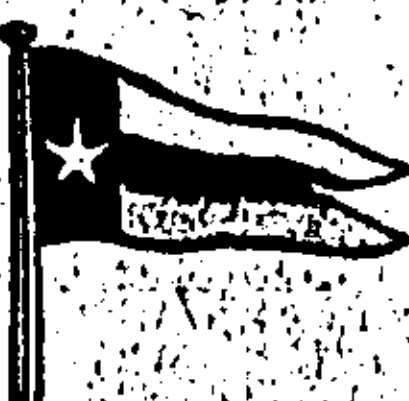
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LIBERAL PARTY CALLS FOR OUTLAWING OF ALL ATOMIC WEAPONS

London, February 8.

Britain's Liberal Party yesterday called for outlawing all atomic weapons including the H-bomb.

Once powerful but now weak, the Liberal Party reaffirmed its determination to split the vote in many constituencies in the hope that no party will get a working majority in the new Parliament.

The Liberal position was stated by Viscount Samuel, veteran Liberal leader in the House of Lords. It was the Liberal Party's night on the British Broadcasting Corporation to open their radio campaign.

At the same time, a top economic spokesman for the Labour Party admitted that Britain would need dollar aid after the Marshall plan ends. Mr Douglas Jay, Economic Secretary to the Treasury, in a

speech at Paddington, stated without qualification that Britain's excess of dollar imports over dollar exports "will continue to face us for a long time to come."

He said devaluation had ex-

ceeded the government's expectations, but warned: "If we continue the present policy of scrupulously planning the use of our dollar resources, and if United States business activity remains at a high level, there is no reason why we should not be independent of extraordinary dollar aid by 1952."

(Jay did not explain what he meant by "extraordinary aid," but made it plain that some kind of aid would be needed beyond 1952.)

He continued: "But if the reckless Tory policy of dismantling controls and abandoning priorities were followed, we should find ourselves dependent indefinitely on charity from the United States."—United Press.

Teen-agers lengthen hemline

Paris, February 7.

Teen-agers this spring will be wearing skirts longer than their parents do, judging by the styles paraded yesterday by Jacques Heim, in a show staged exclusively for the younger set.

Skirts throughout reached to mid-calf level, whereas leading couturiers are showing spring fashions reaching not very far below the knee.

Suits in grey flannel, with wide shoulders, tightly belted waists and fancy poplins, were shown. Wide reverse or patterned collars were often spruced up with an artist's touch of striped tulle. Coats in corn yellow and with royal blue wool frieze had a lot of fullness belted into the waist or were fitted in front with a half-belt at the back.

Dresses had wing sleeves, deep oval neckholes and puffed or pleated fullness in the skirts. Many in gay checked American cotton or more dressy numbers in navy blue ottoman had light-fitting bodies supported with narrow straps. Cover-up monkey jackets had winnet or capotelet sleeves and demure turn-down collars in white pique or glazed linen.

Evening dresses had off-shoulder necklines and voluminous bullet skirts. Nearly all were made of rose or white tulle. One in white had a massive emerald green satin bow played diagonally across the front.—Associated Press.

Frenchman admits spying in Poland

Szczecin, Poland, February 7.

Easton Druet, 40-year-old Frenchman, told a Polish military court here today that he became a French spy in Poland for two-and-a-half years after the war to gain a French visa for his German fiancée.

Druet, who has been charged along with Andre Robineau, 25-year-old French consular official, and four Poles, with spying for France in Poland, pleaded guilty.

When the trial opened yesterday in this Baltic port (formerly Stettin), Robineau admitted that he had led a French spy network recruited from among Poles dissatisfied with the present Communist Government.

Druet and the four Poles are accused of being section leaders of Robineau's network, which was trained to collect information on ports, shipping, aerodromes, military units and their armaments as well as political and social data.

Druet, a handsome middle-aged Frenchman, spoke firmly, but appeared subdued after Robineau's appearance yesterday.—Reuter.

Cycling in Britain receives a great fillip

London, February 7.

Cycling, a "Cinderella" sport in Britain, has received a great fillip through the election of Reg Harris, the World Professional Sprint Champion, as the "Sportman of the Year" in the national ballot organised by the "Sporting Record."

A nation-wide poll gave Harris 22,188 votes out of a total of 166,524, as the man who had done most in 1949 to raise the prestige of British sport.

Commenting on the result in an interview with the "Sporting Record," Harris said: "The great sport of cycling has always seemed in the back street in this country, whereas in the Continent it has a tremendous hold on public interest. I feel sure that when people learn a cyclist has been elected ahead of soccer stars, boxers and cricketers it will mean big things for cycling, and long overdue recognition."

The established popularity of football was shown, however, in the fact that eight of the first 12 in the poll were soccer stars. A ninth footballer in the list was Denis Compton, winner in the past two years, who plays soccer for Arsenal in addition to his more widely known activity with the cricket bat.

The remaining two members of the first dozen were a boxer and a cricketer—Freddie Mills, recently disposed of in the World Light-Heavyweight Championship, who was fifth, and Len Hutton, England and Yorkshire opening batsman, who was eighth.

Support from admirers

Runner-up to Harris with 15,359 votes was Billy Liddell, the Liverpool and Scottish footballer, most of whose support came from admirers in Liverpool and his native Scotland.

Coming third with 11,981 votes followed in order by Billy Wright, England and Wolverhampton Wanderers' football captain, Mills, Tommy Lawton, Nottingham's former England centre-forward, Ralph Carter, silver-haired Hull City player-manager, Hutton, Sagar, Everton's veteran goalkeeper, Bert Williams, Frank Swift's successor in the England goal, Stanley Matthews, world renowned wizard of the right wing, and Billy Steel, Scotland and Derby County inside-forward.

Only three of these have appeared in the first 12 during the four years the poll has been held. They are Compton, Lawton, and Matthews.

Gone from the leading 12 are the British Heavyweight Champion, Bruce Woodcock, and the champion jockey, Gordon Richards.

Woodcock, the winner in 1946, just missed the list of honour this time, being 13th, and Richards was 15th. Speedway, one of the most popular spectator sports in Britain, was represented by World Champion Tommy Price, 10th with 2,022 votes.—Reuter.

PHILIPPINES TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Manila, February 7. Feliciano Ampon and his sister, Desideria, beat Sunan Mistra of India, and Mrs. Chetrot of Australia, by 6-2 and 7-5 in the semi-finals of the Philippines covered hard court tennis mixed doubles today.

In the other semi-final, Pedro Masia of Spain, and Mrs. Harada of Japan, defeated Mrs. Carmona and Mrs. Molera of the Philippines, by 7-5 and 6-4. The final will be played tomorrow.—Reuter.

Women's Int'l tennis tourney again mooted

London, February 7.

Once again the question of a women's international lawn tennis tournament on the lines of the men's Davis Cup competition has arisen. It has done so before and this time it is the Australians who have made a move in the matter.

This suggests that the Australians consider they have women players worthy of competing in a match against the best of other countries. At the same time, their form in open tournaments does not indicate that they would match the Americans who have dominated women's tennis for so long.

Yet a good deal would depend on the size of the teams. While America have half a dozen players at the present time capable of beating any opposition it is not thought generally that they would be so dominant in team matches of say 10 a side.

Britain, for example, might lack the half dozen stars of America, but the general standard of women's tennis is higher than in America, where to take away those few outstanding players might leave very average performers.

America, Australia and Britain are undoubtedly the outstanding nations for women's lawn tennis and would no doubt be interested in a women's Davis Cup competition. Yet there seems little possibility of it coming into being, at least yet a while.

Should Australia put forward the idea as a concrete proposal it would be considered by the International Lawn Tennis Federation at its next meeting in Lausanne on July 12. In that case notice must be given of the proposal by March 12.—Reuter.

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Farouk to wed this Saturday?

London, February 7. The "Daily Express" said on Tuesday that King Farouk of Egypt will marry beautiful young Nardiman Sadek on his 30th birthday this Saturday.

A dispatch from the paper's roving correspondent Sefton Delmar, detailed "Over Arabia," said: "The probability is that the ceremony will be a private one, attended only by a few of the King's most intimate friends. There will be no public feasting such as attended Farouk's marriage to Farida."

Delmar had just visited Cairo. He said: "Nardiman who is living in the strictest seclusion, is receiving daily lessons in court etiquette and all other things she has to know as the wife of Egypt's King. He is a handsome young man, Karim Tabari, wife of King Farouk's most influential personal advisor, and herself the most accomplished and most elegant woman in the King's set."

Delmar said that Farouk's reported engagement had excited the Egyptian populace so much that the King has been forced to make peace with his worst political enemies, the Wafd Party, which swept back into power in last month's general elections.

And, according to Delmar, the plan for the union of Iraq and Syria, bitterly opposed by Egypt, could be carried through without much further criticism and hostility, and that will mean Israel will have more powerful neighbours on its flanks than in the past.—United Press.

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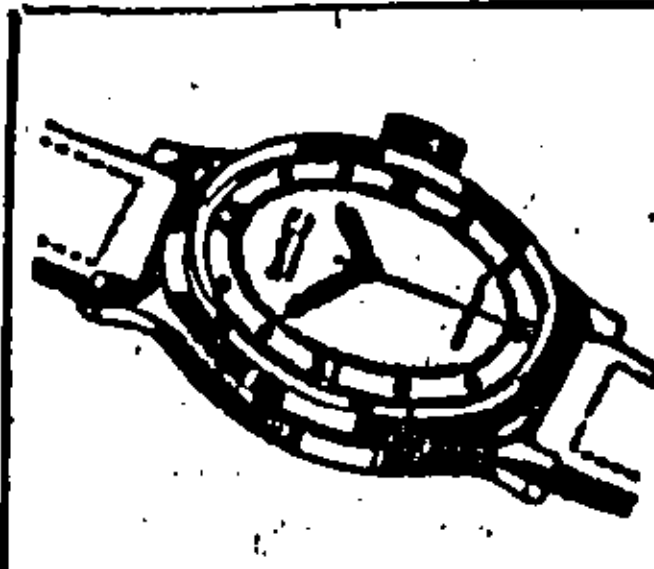
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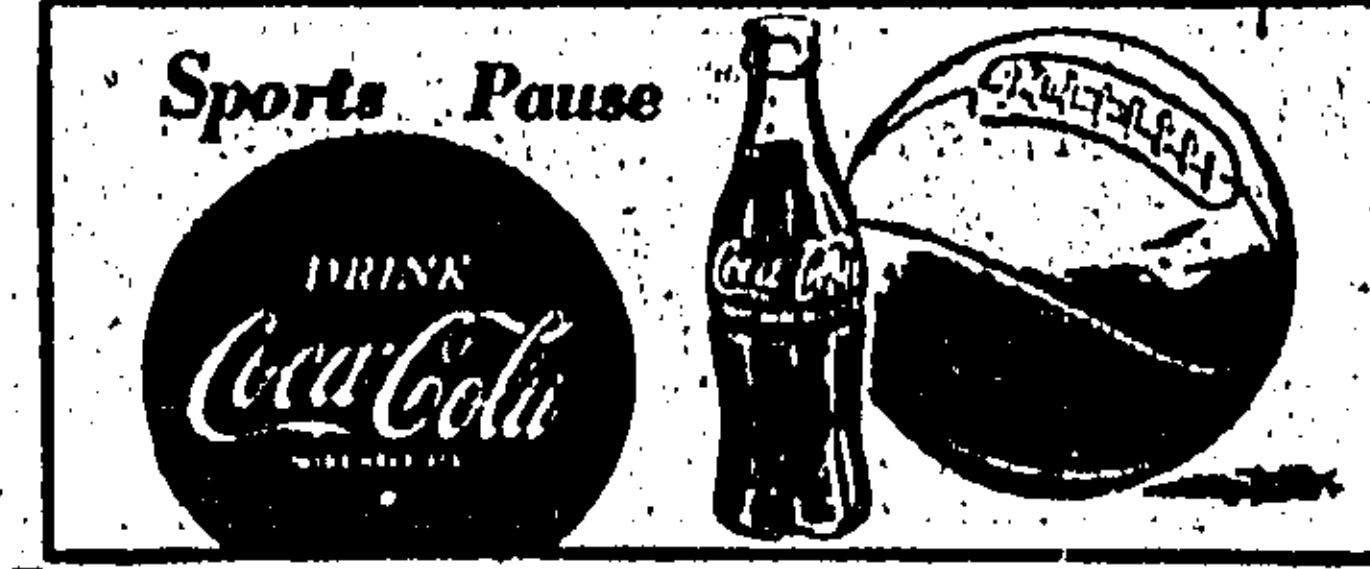


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Auckland, February 8.

Another record-breaking afternoon and three more Gold Medals for British competitors featured the continuation of the Empire Games here today.

Swimming dominated the early part of the programme and of five finals decided before a capacity crowd of 5,000 in the Olympic Pool, Scotland won two Gold Medals and England won one.

Sixteen-year-old Helen Gordon took the women's 220 yards breast-stroke for Scotland, Peter Heatly, of Scotland, won the men's tower diving and Edna Child, the blonde Middlesex girl, annexed the women's springboard diving. This was a particularly thrilling event with the last dive giving Child a victory over Australia's Noelene McLean.

Only a hairsbreadth robbed England of another first place for Roy Roman. In a devastating finish to the 220 yards men's breast-stroke Roman was beaten by a touch by D. Hawkins, of Australia.

Australia took the other final today when Judy Joy Davies gained her anticipated win in the women's 110 yards breast-stroke. Miss Gordon set up new figures for the Games with 220 yards in 3 minutes, 17 seconds, an improvement on 4.6 seconds in the 1948 figures. Miss Davies equalled the record for the 110 yards with 1 minute 16.6 seconds, and Miss Joan Harrison, the 14-year-old South African school girl, created a new record of 5 minutes 31.7 seconds in winning her 440 yards heat, beating by 8 seconds the 12-year-old figure, Miss Wellington of England and Miss Griffin of New Zealand, were second and third respectively to Harrison. They also beat the old figures.

While the swimming and diving were taking place Empire athletes at bowls and fencing were engaged elsewhere. New Zealand won two bowls titles, Hamilton Pirrell won the singles and the pair went to Bob Henry and Phil Kexby.

The fours final will be played off tomorrow following a triple tie among the South African, New Zealand and Australian quartets. Three of the oldest competitors in the Games, all over 70, are the Australian team.

Australia won the men's tennis contest tonight when the Empire Games tennis events were continued here. England was second, Canada third and New Zealand fourth. There were no other competitors. Australia won all three matches, beating England with fewer hits against, each had four wins with one drawn, Canada by five wins to four and New Zealand five wins to four. England beat New Zealand 6-2 and Australia 9-0.

Boxing events
K. Edwina of Ceylon, won her first bout in the boxing event tonight when she beat M. Madden of New Zealand on points in the

School Football competitions

The following are the fixtures for the School Football Competitions:

Sunday, February 12

Senior Knock-out competition
Tallkoo v St. Joseph's (Club ground, 10 a.m.); Referee: L. Young.

St. Stephens v Queen's College (Club ground, 11.30 a.m.); Referee: L. Young.

Junior League
St. Joseph's v St. Joseph's P.M. (Navy Ground No. 1, 10.30 a.m.); Referee: Mooney.

Wanchai A.M. v Ellis Kadoorie P.M. (Army Ground, 10.30 a.m.); Referee: Manson.

Ellis Kadoorie A.M. v Wah You P.M. (St. Joseph's, 10.30 a.m.); Referee: Kwok.

Anglo Chinese v Government Vernacular School (Navy No. 2, 10.30 a.m.); Referee: Mr. Ennis.

The matches in the Senior Knock-out competition will be of 60 minutes duration and in the event of a draw extra time, of five minutes each way must be played.

If the teams are still on level terms, the match will be played.

Permission has been obtained for referees officiating at games in the Valley to use the dressing room at the Hong Kong Football Club.

Those unable to accept the appointments are requested to inform Mr. R.M. Omar, Secretary of the Hong Kong Football Association.

Sportsmasters must be present at all games in which their schools are competing.

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Mrs Pote Hunt wins Bogey Competition

Many good scores have been returned in the Ladies' Golf Section at Fanning in the past month.

Mrs. Pote Hunt qualified for the Captain's Cup with a net 62 and also won the Bogey Competition with a score of four up.

Mrs. P. Watson was the second to qualify for the Captain's Cup with a net 60.

The runner-up in the Bogey Competition was Mrs. M. Elliot with a score of all square.

The special February Thursday Competition will be a Shanghai foursome. This will be played on Thursday, February 23, instead of the usual Third Thursday due to the Chinese New Year Holidays.

Players are to arrange their own partners and foursomes will be played off as they arrive at the course.

There will be two prizes on this day one to the winning couple and the other to the pair whose scores are nearest to a "hidden number" designated by Mrs. T. Wall who is giving the prize for that day. Players are requested to note the change in the date.

The entry list for this event is now posted at Fanning.

SPRING MEETING

Plans for the Spring Meeting were completed at the Ladies' Golf Committee Meeting on Monday, February 6.

The following events and the dates of play have been designated:

Monday, March 20: A.M.—Medal round on either course. P.M.—2-Ball Foursome, New Course. Partners to be drawn.

Tuesday, March 21: A.M.—Bogey Competition, New Course. P.M.—Putting and Putting Competition, Putting on Practice Green near Ladies Club House.

Prizes will be presented by the Captain in the afternoon and tea will be served at 4.30 on Tuesday.

Entry Lists for all events will be posted in the Ladies Club House.

It is hoped that Members will be present for the two days if possible. Accommodation may be booked through the Golf Club Office for Monday night, March 20.

Transportation for those unable to stay will be arranged if possible.

Anyone wishing partners or transportation is requested to notify the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. R.H. Coombs.

KCC cricket teams

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in League and friendly cricket games over the week-end:

1st XI against the week-end XI at Kowloon, Saturday, February 11, at 1.45 p.m. Players must meet at 1.20 p.m. sharp at Star Ferry, Hong Kong side.

2nd XI against the week-end XI at Kowloon, Saturday, February 11, at 1.45 p.m. Players must meet at 1.20 p.m. sharp at Star Ferry, Hong Kong side.

3rd XI against the week-end XI at Kowloon, Saturday, February 11, at 1.45 p.m. Players must meet at 1.20 p.m. sharp at Star Ferry, Hong Kong side.

4th XI against the week-end XI at Kowloon, Saturday, February 11, at 1.45 p.m. Players must meet at 1.20 p.m. sharp at Star Ferry, Hong Kong side.

5th XI against the week-end XI at Kowloon, Saturday, February 11, at 1.45 p.m. Players must meet at 1.20 p.m. sharp at Star Ferry, Hong Kong side.

6th XI against the week-end XI at Kowloon, Saturday, February 11, at 1.45 p.m. Players must meet at 1.20 p.m. sharp at Star Ferry, Hong Kong side.

7th XI against the week-end XI at Kowloon, Saturday, February 11, at 1.45 p.m. Players must meet at 1.20 p.m. sharp at Star Ferry, Hong Kong side.

8th XI against the week-end XI at Kowloon, Saturday, February 11, at 1.45 p.m. Players must meet at 1.20 p.m. sharp at Star Ferry, Hong Kong side.

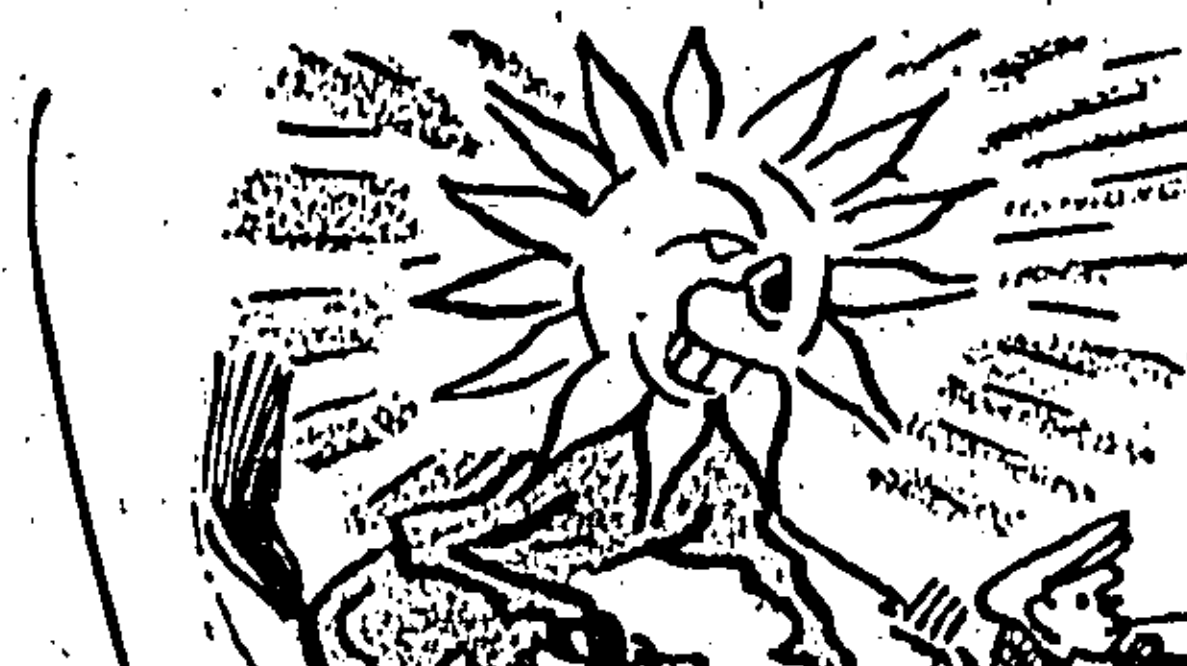
9th XI against the week-end XI at Kowloon, Saturday, February 11, at 1.45 p.m. Players must meet at 1.20 p.m. sharp at Star Ferry, Hong Kong side.



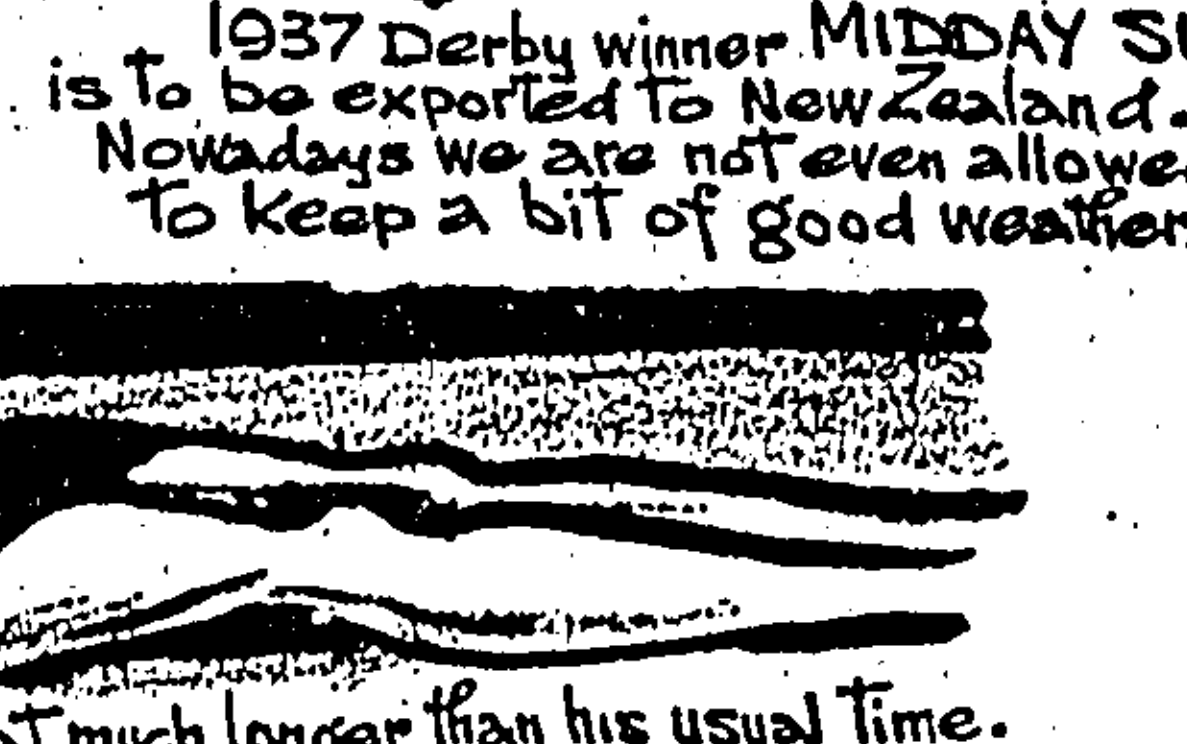
There were so many people labelled 'Jojo Maxim' in the latter corner that Freddy Mills must have wondered how many he had to fight.



Willie Smith is once more playing Billiards. Willie once stated that he didn't like Snooker. Not would you if you had to play FRED DAVIS.



1937 Derby winner MIDDAY SUN is to be exported to New Zealand. Nowadays we are not even allowed to keep a bit of good weather.



P.S. With 5 of Mills' teeth lying all over the ring and 2 of Maxims dislodged the fight should have been refereed by a dentist.

Softball:

Shanghai Pandas to visit HongKong

(By "GRANDSTAND")

With exception of the play-off for the third and fourth positions in the Men's Senior League which will be fixed in the near future, pressure in the major softball circuit eases up this week.

The centre of attraction will, therefore, be focused on the Juniors, when the Blackhawks tangle at 1.30 p.m. this Sunday.

Several postponed games in the Senior and Ladies' Leagues will also be played off, with the St. Joseph's-Pandas tilt promising good entertainment.

News has been received that a team from Shanghai, probably comprising most of the Shanghai Pandas, will be visiting Hong Kong during the Chinese New Year-Holidays.

Arrangements are in the hands of Y. C. Mei, first-sacker of the Hong Kong Pandas, who was an original member of the renowned team.

It has also been learned that the expenses are covered and all that remains is confirmation from our Northern friends.

The programme for this week with umpires and scorers as follows:

MEN'S SENIOR LEAGUE
Sunday CBA Ground: 12 noon—St. Joseph's v Pandas (Don Robbins, Buster Hollands, R. Verlysen; Wanda Rodriguez).

1.30 p.m.—Madecaps v Cumbancheros (Y. C. Mei, T. Hussain, R. Tsao; Bui Ahong).

2 p.m.—Braves v Spartans (Sabu Samy, M. Gutierrez, A. Gutierrez, R. Recreo).

3.30 p.m.—Aces v Griffins (Les Castro, J. Henderson, Bernard Silva; Ed Loureiro).

Sunday CBA Ground: 10.30 a.m.—Blackhawks v Jaguars (Chung, Vally Mar, Tony Kwok; P. Remedios).

Sunday Recreo F/B Ground: 9 a.m.—Delawareans v Pandas (P. McRea, Desmond Lock, J. Henderson; R. Nunes).

10.30 a.m.—Rexes v Overseas (Les Castro, F. Vas, E. Loureiro; R. Barreto).

LADIES' SENIOR LEAGUE
Saturday CBA Ground: 3.30 p.m.—Wildcats v Firsts (Cesar Xavier, L. Sequiera, Olie Vas; Hal Wingate).

Saturday CBA Ground: 2 p.m.—Covers v McVereans (Dan Izard, June Lee, Bobbie Lee; Hal Wingate).

Games arranged for the Chinese New Year Holidays are as follows: Friday, February 17: 11 a.m.—USA v Pakistan (Men's International).

1 p.m.—PI v Great Britain (Ladies' International).

Saturday, February 18: 11 a.m.—Spartans v Aces (Junior League re-play).

1 p.m.—China v Portugal (Ladies' International).

3 p.m.—China v Portugal (Men's International).

Sunday, February 19: 10.30 a.m.—Griffins v Pandas (Junior League re-play).

12 noon—Madecaps v Overseas (Senior League re-play).

1.30 p.m.—St. Joseph's v Jaguars (Senior League re-play).

2 p.m.—Service v Selected (Senior League re-play).

3 p.m.—Service v Selected (Senior League re-play).

4 p.m.—Service v Selected (Senior League re-play).

5 p.m.—Service v Selected (Senior League re-play).

6 p.m.—Service v Selected (Senior League re-play).

7 p.m.—Service v Selected (Senior League re-play).

University beat DGS in hockey game

University Ladies Hockey team beat the Diocesan Girls School at Pokfulam yesterday in a friendly hockey game by five goals to three.

The featured of the game was the "hat trick" recorded by Miss W. Hui. In all, she scored four goals, three of which were in succession.

The standard of play was high and a fast pace was set by the two teams right from the start.

DGS took the lead after 10 minutes when Wagner netted from close range. The school girls increased the lead later through D. Ho.

Score evoned

Undaunted by this reverse, University played with renewed vigour and reduced the lead through W. Hui. Not long after the same player netted a brilliant goal, bringing the score to two goals all.

DGS took the lead once again when C. Chan netted. Just before the interval Hui completed her hat trick by scoring again.

The second half saw some pretty hockey with each team trying to take the lead. B. Choa gave the Varsity the lead and just before the end Hui netted her fourth goal, giving the Varsity girls a good win.

The game was played in a very sporting spirit and was thoroughly enjoyed by the spectators.

HOCKEY FIXTURES

The following are the Hockey League fixtures to be played on Sunday, February 12:

Navy v YMCA, RNRC No. 1, 11.30 a.m. (Umpires: Mr. Binko and Mr. Makham Singh).

Recreo "B" v Commandos, Recreio, 11.30 a.m. (Umpires: C.Y. Gater and Mr. Xavier).

Army v University, Sookpoo, 11.15 a.m. (Umpires: Mr. Palmer and Mr. Guravitch).

Pak SC v KTC, RNRC No. 1, 10 a.m. (Umpires: P.O. Bradey and P.O. Sullivan).

Chand Tara v Recreio "A", Recreio, 10 a.m. (Umpires: Sgt. Maj. Hannan and QMSI McAllen).

Nomads v RAF, RNRC No. 2, 10 a.m. (Umpires: W.O. Smith and E. Tel. Mathewson).

H.K. Police v Dutch HC, Boudard Street, 10.30 a.m. (Umpires: S/Cdr. Padley and Mr. Silva).

NSRA of Britain challenges for Pershing trophy

London, February 7.

The National Small Rifle Association of Great Britain announced today that it has challenged the National Rifle Association of America to a match for the Pershing trophy in 1951.

The trophy, donated by the late General Pershing in 1921, is now held by the United States Rifle Association, except the challenge, the match will be held sometime between May and September.

Next year marks the 50th anniversary of the Pershing trophy match between the British and American teams.

The match will be held at the National Rifle Association grounds at Bisley, Surrey.

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F.A. Cup-5th round:

Blackpool tipped to beat Wolves

(By "ALBION")

With only 16 teams left out of the original hundreds of participants for the Football Association Cup, the long trail to Wembley is now reaching its climax.

In next Saturday's games, the highlights of the round would seem to be centred around the games at Molineux Park and at Old Trafford.

At Molineux, the Cup holders Wolverhampton, will be faced with far stiffer opposition than they have encountered in the previous rounds. Blackpool, who have yet to win the coveted trophy, in my opinion seem to be well placed for the honour this year. They are playing grand football and are a tower of strength at forward.

I think they will take the Wolves at the first hurdle. The latter, it will be remembered, have had to play four games in their last two ties before gaining the advantage.

The Manchester United-Portsmouth tie looks to be a very interesting fixture.

The United were at Wembley the year before last and Pompey just failed in the semi-final. Yes, this will be undoubtedly be a game packed with Cup Ti. thrills.

I take Manchester United to win by virtue of their being at Home.

Can Tottenham overcome another Division I opponent in Everton on Saturday? If their display against Sunderland has any bearing on their Cup Tie form, it's goodbye to Everton.

However, I think Everton, although lowly placed in the Division I league table, will manage to pull off a narrow win.

Luck of the draw

The Gunners entertain Burnley at Highbury and here also, a close game is anticipated. Arsenal have had the luck of the draw in being drawn at Home again and this in itself about the best they could expect to start. Arsenal get my bet on this game, anyway.

Stockport County, the only Third Division team remaining in the Cup round, will not be expected to survive their encounter with the Division I leaders Liverpool.

I think it will mean a quick exit for the gaiters. Northampton and Liverpool one step further towards realising their ambition of securing the "double" (League and Cup).

Chatterfield might force Chelsea to a replay on Saturday, but I think the round will go to the Penitents, ultimately.

Leeds United should further progress in their Home game with Cardiff City.

Nottingham will need to win to keep in the running for promotion; it will only need a couple of slips to enable Torquay, their nearest rivals, to take over the lead. They should, however, be masters of the situation this week.

Torquay, on the other hand, should maintain an interest in that they will be expected to beat their close neighbours, Exeter on the latter's ground.

An outside chance

Nottingham, who still have an outside chance for promotion, will find Port Vale a hard nut to crack and will be fortunate to take a point.

In the Northern Division, Doncaster who at present lead the division, will be away to a much improved Lincoln and should not be surprised to see the latter take both points.

This would make the situation in this league most intriguing, as Rochdale, now number two in the table, should easily overcome Wrexham to take the game and bring the points collected by them and Doncaster even. Yes, the issue in this league is certainly going to be fought out at a close level.

Forecast for matches to be played on Saturday, February 11:

F.A. CUP FIFTH ROUND

DERBY v Northampton

CHESTERFIELD v Chelsea

EVERTON v Tottenham

STOCKPORT v LIVERPOOL

ARSENAL v Burnley

WOLVERHAMPTON v BLACKPOOL

MAN. UNITED v Portsmouth

LEEDS v Cardiff C.

DIVISION II

LEICESTER v Plymouth

DIVISION III (SOUTH)

BRISTOL R. v Newport

PASADENA v Brighton

EXETER v Torquay

WIMBORNE v Maidenhead

ROTHAM v Northampton

STOKE v Northampton

SCOTSDRUM v Norwich

HATFIELD v Weymouth

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BARNOLY v GATESHEAD
CARLISLE v SOUTHPORT
CREWE v Hartlepool
LINCOLN v DONCASTER
MANSFIELD v Chester
MILHAM v Halifax
Tottenham v Darlington
Wrexham v ROCHDALE
York v New Brighton

Sports personality:

Denis H. Hazell



The Badminton Association of Hong Kong can congratulate itself on having such a great Badminton enthusiast as Denis H. Hazell as its President.

Born in Cleveland, Somerset, exactly 53 years ago last Saturday, he has always been a keen sportsman.

He represented his County in tennis from 1921 to 1930 and played in the Wimbledon Championships, also in 1930.

He came to the Far East in 1923, arriving in Hong Kong that year. Badminton has always been one of his main interests and he toured Malaya and Sumatra, playing exhibition badminton matches with the best players in those places.

Denis Hazell was among those who took part in the early preparations for the world-wide Thomas Cup matches which were won by Malaya last year.

Sir George Thomas, the father of the Thomas Cup, is a personal friend of Hazell's and they have often played tennis, though never badminton, together.

Hazell still takes an active part in the local badminton matches representing the Victoria Recreation Club in the Men's "B" Division.

He said that this year's entries for the Colony Badminton Championships have been very gratifying and augur well for the future of the game.

Hazell will be leaving for Malaya on business on March 7 and then fly to England from Singapore. He hopes to return to Hong Kong this September.

He regrets deeply that he will be unable to be present for the Championship Finals but, he said, "though I won't be here in person, my thoughts and good wishes will be always with you all."

HONG KONG POLO AND HUNT CLUB MEET

There will be a meet of the Hong Kong Polo and Hunt Club at 11.30 a.m. on Sunday, February 12, at Mai Po Village, 28-9 miles from the Fanning Golf Club beyond the Fanning Golf Club (Cross-roads).